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Canoeing party on the Quaboag River, W. Brookfield, MA. This segment of the river is accessible from the PAB/Town of Brookfield Quaboag Pond boat ramp in Brookfield (page 101).

View of Plymouth Harbor from the PAB/Town of Plymouth boat ramp (page 45), with the Mayflower II in the background. Photo by Jack Sheppard.

Fishing in Otis Reservoir, accessible via a PAB/DEM boat ramp at Tolland State Forest, Tolland (page 127).

Launching at the PAB/Town of Barnstable boat ramp at Blish Point (page 25), providing access to Barnstable Harbor and Cape Cod Bay. Photo by Ed "Haddie" Nowak.

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Massachusetts is blessed with over 2,000 named rivers and streams, more than 1,600 lakes and ponds over ten acres in size, and almost 2,000 miles of coastline. Over the past 30 years, the United States and Massachusetts in particular have made great strides in improving water quality in our rivers, lakes, and coastal waters. Controls on pollutants from industrial sources and sewage systems, development of a more comprehensive code to improve septic systems, and the Rivers Protection Act have gone a long way toward safeguarding our treasured water resources.

Outdoor recreation nourishes the soul by bringing people into contact with the natural world, of which we are all a part. The Public Access Board helps make these experiences possible for our citizens by providing boat access facilities for all of us who enjoy activities like fishing, canoeing, kayaking, sailing, and other kinds of recreational boating on Massachusetts' waters. The agency oversees more than 200 boat access facilities, sport fishing piers, and shore fishing areas that are all open to residents and visitors to Massachusetts.

This book provides information about all of the state designated boat access facilities, along with maps that will help you get to the most popular sites and other information useful to anglers, canoeists, kayakers, and other recreational boaters. These facilities are by no means the only locations providing boat access in the Commonwealth. Cities, towns and private marinas also provide access facilities, and these entities may restrict usage to certain groups and/or charge fees that might be higher for out of town or out of state users.

If you need further information regarding federal, municipal, or private boat launching facilities, please see the listing under "Additional Resources" in this book. For questions about PAB sites, please contact the site managing authority or contact the Public Access Board directly.

Bob Durand, *Secretary*
Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

The publication of this book should greatly benefit Massachusetts' residents and visitors who enjoy boating— from families who enjoy an afternoon canoeing on their local river to anglers interested in fishing the depths of Massachusetts' productive marine waters— and all kinds of boaters in between.

Although Massachusetts is the third most densely populated state in the nation, the Commonwealth has much to offer its people in terms of natural resources and outdoor recreation. Our inland assets include great hiking in the Berkshire highlands, beautiful scenic vistas and fertile farmlands in the Connecticut River Valley, and a 25,000-acre "accidental wilderness" known as the Quabbin Reservation. Despite its small size, the Commonwealth has the ninth largest state park system in the country, offering camping, swimming, and many other activities in parks located throughout the state. On its coast, Massachusetts is well known for its long, sandy beaches in southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and on the Islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. The state's north shore is famous for its magnificent rocky shoreline, and the Boston Harbor islands are being rediscovered since the harbor cleanup has improved conditions dramatically.

The Public Access Board, the smallest of four agencies in the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement, is charged with the responsibility of helping people who use boats, canoes, kayaks and other watercraft gain access to all of Massachusetts' public waterways. To date, the agency has overseen the construction of more than 200 facilities, including boat ramps, canoe and cartop access sites, sport fishing piers, and shore fishing areas.

The Board will continue to work with its principal partners, state agencies such as the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife, the Division of Marine Fisheries, the Division of Law Enforcement, the Riverways Programs, the Metropolitan District Commission, and the Department of Environmental Management and its Division of Forests and Parks and Division of Waterways. The agency will also collaborate with cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth to improve boating and fishing opportunities for all of us.

We hope that this book is helpful to all of you who utilize our waters for your favorite forms of outdoor recreation. Please feel free to contact the Public Access Board if you have any other questions about access to our waters.

David M. Peters, *Commissioner*
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We hope that you will enjoy using this book; please let us know how it works.

Jack Sheppard, *Director*
Public Access Board

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Young anglers at the PAB/Town of Holliston Shorefishing Area on Lake Winthrop (page 90). Photo by Jack Sheppard.

Colonial Ordinances (1641-1647): The Basis for the Public's Access Rights

Current laws regarding the public's right of access to the coastline and to the inland great ponds in Massachusetts are complex and frequently misunderstood. The rights of access granted by the Public Access Board are governed under state law; however, traditional rights of access to waterways in Massachusetts can be traced back to the Colonial Ordinances of 1641-1647.

The Colonial Ordinances were based on the concept of "Commons," which was codified in statute in Roman times, specifically by Justinian in 529 A.D. Resources such as the seashore, rivers and air were "public" and the government could not appropriate such resources for private use or ownership.

In one of the earliest acts of the Colonial government, this concept was reiterated within what has come to be known as the Colonial Ordinances of 1641-1647. A reaffirmation was made that resources such as great ponds of ten acres or more and coastal lands lying below the extreme low water mark were held in trust by the government for the public's use. However, the land in between the high and low water mark on these bodies of water could, in effect, be owned privately and be subject only to the public's right of passage for the purposes of fishing, fowling and navigation. The Colonial Ordinance stated: "Every inhabitant who is a householder shall have free fishing and fowling in any great ponds, bays, coves and rivers, so far as the sea ebbs and flows within the precincts of the town where they dwell unless the freeman of the same town, or the general court have otherwise appropriated them…"

In summary, under the Colonial Ordinance, the public may pass over unimproved land on foot and travel the shoreline between the mean high and mean low water mark on great ponds, that is ponds over 20 acres in size, for the purposes of fishing and fowling, provided that the legislature has not given special rights over such water body to some public or private entity (see Chapter 131 §45 and Chapter 91 §18A of the Mass. General Laws).

Many natural great ponds have been dammed over the years to increase their acreage and storage capacity. They remain great ponds and there is no boundary line between public and private water in these ponds. There may be some restrictions on their use, however, relating to the rights of those who were given permission to dam the ponds and use the increase of water for special purposes.

There are over 900 great ponds in the Commonwealth. Of these, many have been set aside for water supplies, many are small or shallow, and the shores of some have been so intensively developed as to create overcrowded conditions. There remain about 350 ponds that are desirable for fishing and other recreational uses.

Although the waters of these ponds are public, as indicated earlier, the shores are not always so. The history of Massachusetts' progression from an agricultural state, through a period of industrialization depending largely on use of water power, to the present conflict between spreading development and increased recreational activity, has had the effect of closing many ponds to everyone but the shoreline owners. Where once open farmlands lay around a pond and the farmer welcomed the occasional fisherman, there are now housing developments and other improvements restricting access.

The problem has been building up for some time and various solutions have been tried. One solution that seemed to promise success was the establishment of the county's responsibility to obtain, "after local petition and public hearing, a right-of-way for the public to an inaccessible pond." Although this system has been in effect since 1926, very few such rights-of-way have been established. A difficulty in this system has been that money was not readily available for purchase or improvements of the right-of-way.

In coastal areas, the public may also pass over privately owned land below the mean high tide mark for the purposes of fishing, fowling and navigation. The courts have ruled, though, that merely walking the beach and bathing are not among public rights in the intertidal zone.

Formation of the state Public Access Board in 1962 (see Mass. General Laws Ch. 21 §17A) provided a more effective means to gain access to coastal and inland water bodies. This Board, like the counties, has the right to acquire and develop access areas throughout the Commonwealth.

The Public Access Board

The Public Access Board is charged with the responsibility of providing access to all public waters, both inland and marine, in Massachusetts. Presently, the agency oversees boat and canoe launch sites, sport fishing piers and shore fishing areas at over 200 locations in the Commonwealth, giving residents and visitors extensive opportunities to enjoy fishing, canoeing, sailing, and other forms of recreational boating.

The Public Access Board is the smallest of four agencies within the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement. In addition to the construction of access sites, the Board also provides engineering, construction, and technical services to the other agencies in the department— the Division of Law Enforcement (Environmental Police), the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife (***MassWildlife***), and the Division of Marine Fisheries.

Organization

The voting members of the Public Access Board are as follows: Director of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, (Wayne MacCallum); Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries, (Paul Diodati); Director of the Division of Law Enforcement, (Richard Murray); Director of the Division of Forests and Parks, (Todd Frederick); and Director of the Division of Waterways, (Nancy Thornton). In practice, the day-to-day activities of the Board are carried out by the PAB staff under the direction of the Director (Jack Sheppard).

Facilities and Operations

The Public Access Board manages the construction, repair, and operation of state boat ramps, canoe and car-top launch sites, parking areas, and approach roads. The Board oversees facility design and construction, which is usually done by private contractors or municipal public works departments. Public Access Board funds are also used to construct sport fishing piers and to purchase shoreline fishing areas. Ultimately, the Board is working to locate boat launch facilities at close enough intervals throughout the state so that none of them will be overused.

Access to Freshwater Streams

Under Massachusetts' law, any stream capable of being navigated is open to navigation. This includes the rights to recreational uses, except where certain of these may be restricted by local regulation. The larger rivers of the Commonwealth offer great expanses of excellent recreational waters. Pollution and industrial use have decreased, and anadromous fishery restoration programs have increased the "runs" of shad, herring, and other anadromous fish. Recreational use of such areas as the Charles River Basin in the heart of metropolitan Boston is great enough to require traffic regulation. Rivers are usually more accessible to the public than ponds, but the problem of launching a boat or canoe is usually greater, because of swifter currents and steeper banks.

Canoe and Small Boat Landings

Canoeing and kayaking are extremely popular boating options. They are versatile means of transportation and pleasure; light enough to portage, yet still strong enough to survive rapids and carry equipment. Organizations such as the Appalachian Mountain Club, along with others, plan trips on many weekends during the year. The re-discovery of the all around utility of the canoe and kayak has led many to the beauty, tranquility, and occasionally the excitement of our great outdoors in ways that only canoes and kayaks can provide. The Public Access Board has embarked on a program of development of small landings on our rivers and inland streams. The purpose is to make these waters more accessible and to enhance the opportunity for more citizens to participate in canoeing, kayaking, and fishing from small boats.

Access to Coastal Waters

Massachusetts has an extensive tidal shoreline offering excellent potential for fishing and boating. Some of the ocean frontage is not suitable for all-tide boating because of extensive tidal flats, and some is not feasible for development because of rocky shores and shoals. Despite intensive speculation and development of the remainder of the shoreline, there are still reaches of the coast with suitable waters but poor land access. Private marinas are operated mainly for larger boats that remain in the water for an entire season. There is still a great need for facilities for boat owners who spend only one day, or part of it, fishing or cruising on ocean waters, and there is demand for these facilities to be at frequent intervals to expedite safe return to shelter from sudden storms. The Public Access Board is intent upon developing public launching facilities at intervals of 15 miles or less along the coastline.

Facility Management and Fees

Unlike most state agencies providing recreational facilities, the Public Access Board has no regional staff to assume direct daily management of sites. Therefore, cleanup and general maintenance of sites is performed by personnel from cities and towns, as well as state agencies such as the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, the Division of Forests and Parks, the Metropolitan District Commission, and MassHighways.

Most state boat ramps are open free of charge to the general public. However, some heavily used sites are authorized by the Board to collect user fees in order to recover the costs of site maintenance and daily management. All facilities that collect such fees must charge the same amount to all users, and these sites must be open to the boating public on equal terms. Although the Board often authorizes municipalities to manage certain facilities, it does not abrogate its responsibility for long-term facility maintenance or for the establishment of regulations governing the safe and proper use of such areas. Unlike Public Access Board sites, boat access facilities acquired and constructed entirely with municipal funds may charge higher fees to out-of-town users or restrict usage to town residents.

Project Funding

Appropriations for the acquisition, construction, and maintenance activities of the Public Access Board come from several sources. The agency collects a small percentage of state gasoline tax revenues based on the amount paid by motor boat users. The Board also receives state bond appropriations, and federal reimbursements are provided for some projects by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service under the federal Sport Fish Restoration Act.

Selecting New Sites

Public Access Board staff review requests for boat launching facilities and conduct site investigations to determine the feasibility of developing new access areas. The minimum criteria that must be met for the Board to consider a proposed facility are as follows:

- the proposed project must be on a publicly owned water body;
- there must be a demonstrated recreational need for the project;
- the project must be consistent with the mission of the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement;
- personnel must be available to assist with general upkeep of the facility;
- topography must be appropriate for development of a boat or canoe launching facility. If no development is contemplated, the land must be suitable for foot passage to the shoreline.

Depending on the availability of funds, the Board makes repairs to between ten and twenty existing facilities and develops approximately five new access areas each year. Your suggestions and comments as to selection of sites, or any other phase of the Board's operations are welcomed. Correspondence should be addressed to:

Massachusetts Public Access Board
Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement
1440 Soldier's Field Road
Brighton, MA 02135

For further information, the Public Access Board can also be contacted by phone, FAX or via the Internet, where updates regarding the agency's activities and information about new sites are posted.

Phone: (617) 727-1843
Fax: (617) 727-7214
Internet: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/Pab>

Division of Fisheries & Wildlife (Fresh Water Fishing)

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (***MassWildlife***) is responsible for the management of all freshwater fisheries and takes an active role, working with the PAB, in the provision of access to public waters. ***MassWildlife*** sponsors a trout stocking program that provides over 500,000 brook, brown, rainbow, and tiger trout for the enjoyment of anglers each year, and also stocks tiger muskie and northern pike, as well as brood stock Atlantic salmon when available. The agency is working with state and federal partners to help restore Atlantic salmon to the Connecticut and Merrimack River systems and works to improve fisheries habitats in all watersheds in the Commonwealth.

Management by this agency of the fisheries resources in inland waters is funded largely through a licensing program. License fee information and fish and wildlife regulations are published annually in the Division's "Abstracts of the Massachusetts Fish and Wildlife Laws." These are available at all DFW offices and at license sale outlets as well as on-line.

For the most current information about the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife, including weekly stocking reports in season and other fish and wildlife information, see the agency's WEB site at: http:\\www.masswildlife.org

For further information about freshwater fishing in your region, contact the appropriate district office listed below.

Western Wildlife District
400 Hubbard Avenue
Pittsfield, MA 01201
Tel: (413) 447-9789
Fax: (413) 442-0047

Connecticut Valley Wildlife District
East Street
Belchertown, MA 01007
Tel: (413) 323-7632
Fax: (413) 323-9623

Central Wildlife District
Temple Street
West Boylston, MA 01583
Tel: (508) 835-3607
Fax: (508) 792-7420

Northeast Wildlife District
68 Harris Street
Acton, MA 01720
Tel: (978) 263-4347
Fax: (978) 635-0292

Southeast Wildlife District
195 Bournedale Road
Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Tel: (508) 759-3406
Fax: (508) 759-0381

MassWildlife's main offices are at:
Division of Fisheries & Wildlife
Field Headquarters, 1 Rabbit Hill Rd.
Westborough, MA 01581
Tel: (508) 792-7270
FAX: (508) 792-7275

Division of Fisheries & Wildlife
251 Causeway Street, Suite 400
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1590
FAX: (617) 626-1517
<http://www.masswildlife.org>

Division of Marine Fisheries (Salt Water Fishing)

The Division of Marine Fisheries' Sport Fisheries Program works to improve the sport of fishing and promote clean and healthy habitats in Massachusetts' coastal waters. Salt water sport fishing is one of the most popular outdoor recreational activities in America. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts plays an important role in supporting much of this activity in the northeast region of the United States; about half of all regional participation occurs here.

The Program's mission is to maintain and enhance the Commonwealth's anadromous fish resources, effectively and efficiently manage recreational fisheries for important gamefish, and instill an appreciation in the public for marine fishery resources which serve as a major source of outdoor recreation and wholesome food. This mission is carried out through execution of a multitude of projects that focus on topics that include:

- habitat protection;
- resource enhancement and management;
- providing technical assistance to cities, towns and other governmental agencies;
- providing resource education to the public;
- increasing and maintaining public access.

Recreational anglers should note that fresh water licenses are required on rivers and streams above: 1.) A nontidal influence demarcation line established by the Division of Waterways, or 2.) The nearest dam to the ocean. Also, to take shellfish, herring or eels for family use or for bait, or seaworms for bait, consult authorities in the coastal community. These species are covered by local regulations, and permits at nominal cost are usually required.

To obtain copies of marine fishing laws, lobster fishing licenses, or other information concerning the Massachusetts coastal fishery, contact:

Division of Marine Fisheries
251 Causeway Street, Suite 400
Boston, MA 02114
Telephone: (617) 626-1520
Fax: (617) 626-1509
<http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dmf>

For further information about marine recreational fishing in your region, contact the sport fish program biologists at the offices listed below.

Annisquam River Office
30 Emerson Avenue
Gloucester, MA 01930
(978) 282-0308
Fax:: (617) 727-3337

South Shore Office
50A Portside Drive
Pocasset, MA 02559
(508) 563-1779
Fax: (508) 563-5482

Martha's Vineyard Office
P.O. Box 68
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568
(508) 693-4372
Fax: (508) 693-4157

Massachusetts Environmental Police

Environmental Police toll free enforcement line: 1-800-632-8075

The Massachusetts Environmental Police are responsible for the enforcement of all natural resource and environmental laws in the Commonwealth. The agency is particularly involved in the enforcement of fishing, hunting, and boating statutes, both in the inland regions and along Massachusetts' coast. The Environmental Police's Boating and Recreational Vehicle Safety Bureau coordinates boating safety programs throughout the state. The Bureau investigates serious boating accidents and works with the Coast Guard in teaching boat safety courses.

Before a boat operator plans his or her first outing, he should be familiar with the laws and regulations for boat numbering, registration and titling, and the requirements for carrying safety equipment on board. The most complete source for information concerning Massachusetts boating laws and safety is included in the following publication: *Massachusetts Boater's Guide: A Handbook of Boating Laws, Safety Information, and Operation Guidelines for the Prudent Mariner.*

This booklet and any other information regarding boat regulations and safety is available from the Massachusetts Environmental Police Boating Safety office at the address listed below.

Boating Safety Office
1019 Route 132, Second Floor
Hyannis, MA 02601
(617) 727-8760

The Environmental Police main offices are located at:

Headquarters
251 Causeway Street, Suite 100
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1650
Fax: (617) 626-1670
<http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dle>

Coastal Bureau
349 Lincoln Street
Hingham, MA 02043
(781) 740-1163
Fax: (617) 727-8103

Inland Bureau
183 Milk Street
Westborough, MA 01581
(508) 366-6537
Fax: (508) 792-7437

Riverways Programs

The Riverways Programs promote the restoration and protection of the ecological integrity of the Commonwealth's watersheds: rivers, streams, and adjacent lands. The Riverways Programs were created in 1987 to encourage and support local river protection initiatives as a vital complement to state action. As a means of encouraging watershed restoration, the agency also promotes public access to and enjoyment of the Commonwealth's more than 2,000 rivers and streams. Riverways works closely with the Public Access Board on many efforts, such as recommending sites for canoe and cartop access facilities, and special projects like collecting public access facility data and the production of this book. The Riverways Programs can be reached at:

Riverways Programs
251 Causeway Street, Suite 400
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1540
<http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/River/riv>

Major Access Facility Managing Authorities

As mentioned previously, the Public Access Board (PAB) does not handle day-to-day management of its facilities, rather, the agency relies on cooperative management agreements with its partners. For questions about daily management of particular sites, the reader should contact the managing authority listed with each site description in this book.

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management (DEM) Division of Forests & Parks

This is the agency that manages the most PAB facilities. This Division manages over 285,000 acres of conservation land at hundreds of state parks and forests throughout the state. Many PAB access facilities are located on these DEM properties and the agency manages these and other sites for the Board. For questions about particular PAB facilities located at state forests and parks, contact the state park or forest directly or the appropriate regional DEM office listed below.

Region 1 – Southeast
194 Cranberry Road
P.O. Box 66
So. Carver, MA 02366
(508) 866-2580

Region 2 – Northeast
817 Lowell Street
P.O. Box 829
Carlisle, MA 01741
(978) 369-3350

Region 3 – Central
Route 110
P.O. Box 155
Clinton, MA 01510
(978) 368-0126
(508) 792-7715

Region 4 – Connecticut River Valley
40 Cold Storage Drive
P.O. Box 484
Amherst, MA 01004
(413) 545-5993

Region 5 – Berkshires
740 South Street
P.O. Box 1433
Pittsfield, MA 01202
(413) 442-8928

Region 6 – Greater Boston
251 Causeway Street, Suite 600
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1250
<http://www.state.ma.us/dem/dem.htm>

Metropolitan District Commission (MDC)

The MDC is the major park agency in the Boston area and also manages major watershed areas in the Commonwealth such as the Quabbin Reservation and the Wachusett Reservoir. At the time of this publication, the MDC is responsible for management at about a dozen PAB sites. For questions about daily management of MDC-managed facilities, please contact the agency at:

Metropolitan District Commission
20 Somerset Street
Boston, MA 02108
(617) 727-5114
<http://www.state.ma.us/mdc/mdc_home.htm>

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division (ACOE)

The ACOE provides a number of boating and fishing access points as part of recreational facilities located at many of the agency's flood control, navigation and other projects in Massachusetts. Although only a few of these access points are currently affiliated with the Public Access Board system, more are expected to be added in the future. The following offices may be contacted for more information on ACOE recreational facilities in Massachusetts:

Thames River Basin Office
(for facilities in the French, Quinebaug and Blackstone watersheds)
Hodges Village Dam
Howarth Road, Box 300
Oxford, MA 01540
(508) 987-0108

Lower Connecticut River Basin Office
(for facilities in the Millers, Chicopee and Westfield watersheds)
6 Athol-Richmond Road
Royalston, MA 01331
(978) 249-2547

Cape Cod Canal Field Office
P.O. Box J
Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
(508) 759-4431

Charles River Natural Valley Storage Area
R.R. 2,Box 45 E-1
Uxbridge, MA 01569-9608
(508) 278-2511

or the ACOE's district headquarters:

Natural Resources Management Section
New England District
696 Virginia Road
Concord, MA 01742-2751
(978) 318-8238
<http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/recreati/massachu.htm>

In many cases, the managing authority is the city or town where the facility is located. In that case, users should contact the city or town directly with specific questions about daily site management. The department's Division of Fisheries & Wildlife also manages some sites, and readers should contact the appropriate DFW regional office (see address and phone numbers in a previous section) in that case.

Boat Registration and Titling

Massachusetts requires the registration of any boat that is powered by a motor and operated on public waterways in Massachusetts. Registration is required even if the motor is not the primary means of propulsion for that boat. Examples of boats that require registration include fishing boats with motors, recreational motorboats, canoes or sailboats that use motors, and personal watercraft such as Jet Skis or wet bikes. Boats exempt from registration requirements include those that do not use motors, boats used exclusively on private lakes smaller than 10 acres, and documented vessels (large boats that are issued a marine document and registration through the U.S. Coast Guard). Boats numbered under the approved numbering system of another state may operate for 60 days in Massachusetts before a Commonwealth registration is required. Upon receipt of your signed application and fees, you will be issued a certificate of number and a registration expiration decal. Boaters should note that vessels numbered in Massachusetts are not allowed to operate in New Hampshire without New Hampshire numbering.

All boats 14 feet or greater in length that are designed for use with a motor, or that use a motor at any time, must be titled. For example, sailboats 14 feet or longer with a backup motor in use, or sailboats designed for use with a backup motor must be titled. Even canoes 14 feet or longer that use a motor of any type must be titled. Exempt from titling requirements are U.S. government owned vessels; federally documented vessels; boats used solely for demonstration, testing, sales, or promotional purposes by a dealer or manufacturer; and boats registered in another state that do not remain in the Commonwealth for more than 60 consecutive days.

Massachusetts' boat registration certificates are valid for two years from the date of issuance, but failure to renew the registration within one year of expira-

tion will cause loss of previously issued registration numbers. A title certificate is good for the life of the boat, or until the boat is sold or otherwise transferred, at which time another title must be obtained by the new owner.

Sporting Licenses

Licensing for people who enjoy recreation such as angling, hunting, trapping, recreational lobstering, and boating is done through the department's SPORT licensing system. For questions and updated information about outdoor recreational licenses, please visit the SPORT WEB site at: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/sport> or contact the offices listed below.

SPORT Licensing Headquarters
251 Causeway Street, Suite 100
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1610 or (617) 727-3900

SPORT Licensing
165 Liberty Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413) 733-1642

SPORT Licensing
40 Southbridge Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 753-0603

SPORT Licensing
218 South Main Street
Fall River, MA 02721
(508) 679-8287

SPORT Licensing
1019 Iyanough Road
Rte. 132, 2ND Floor
Hyannis, MA 02601
(508) 771-8382

Family fishing from the barrier-free pier at the PAB/Army Corps access point to Long Pond, Champney Road in Sturbridge.

Non-native Aquatic Plants

Non-native plants are a serious problem in many Massachusetts lakes, ponds, and rivers. These plants can spread aggressively once in a water body, forming dense infestations that make swimming, boating, and fishing difficult. They disrupt natural ecosystems by displacing native plants, and rapidly alter and degrade fish and wildlife habitat. The increase in decomposing plant matter accelerates sedimentation, leading to impaired water quality and offensive odors.

Often, non-native plants are spread to new water bodies when they become entangled in boats, motors, and trailers. Plant fragments that cling to boats in infested lakes can then be transported to other lakes where they take root and flourish. Many plant infestations can be prevented if everyone remembers to completely clean all plants from their boats, motors, and trailers before leaving a site. Dispose of all plants and drain water from your boat on dry land before leaving a water body.

Below is a listing of some non-native species and some of the areas where the plants have become a problem. For a booklet with picture identification (*A Guide to Invasive Non-native Aquatic Plants in Massachusetts*), please contact the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management's Lakes and Ponds Program at (617) 626-1250.

Water Chestnut (Trapa natans)
Water chestnut is a major nuisance in the Concord River and Charles River systems of eastern Massachusetts. Large populations have also been noted in the Connecticut River and in Berkshire County. It is believed that ducks and geese may be a major means of dispersal.

Fanwort (Cabomba caroliniana)
This southern U.S. native has been established in the acid water ponds of eastern Massachusetts for over 50 years. It has been recently been collected in northern Berkshire County.

Variable Watermilfoil (Myriophyllum heterophyllum)
This southern and western species has long been established in the acidic waters of eastern Massachusetts. It has only recently been collected in the western part of the state.

Eurasian Watermilfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum)
This Eurasian species is extremely abundant in the alkaline waters of Berkshire County and is becoming aggressive in the eastern counties.

Curly-leaved Pondweed (Potamogeton crispus)
Part of a very common and diverse group of aquatic plants, this is the only non-native pondweed and is easily identified by the conspicuous teeth along the leaf margin.

Naiad (Najas guadalupensis)
This native species is aggressive and is becoming locally abundant. It may be confused with the common native, Najas flexilis, which has pointed leaf tips rather than blunt tips.

European Naiad (Najas minor)
This species is naturalized in some of the alkaline lakes of Berkshire County.

South American Waterweed (Egeria densa)
This species was introduced via the aquarium trade from South America and is now naturalized in a few areas of eastern Massachusetts.

Yellow Floating Heart (Nymphoides peltata)
This extremely hardy Eurasian species is presently uncommon in Massachusetts.

The next four plants are not yet established in Massachusetts, but are in neighboring states. Boaters should be alert to prevent their spreading into the Commonwealth.

Hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata)
Hydrilla has the potential to become a serious problem in Massachusetts. A population has recently been verified in southern Connecticut.

European Frog-bit (Hydrocharis morsus-ranae)
The European frog-bit is well established in the St. Lawrence River drainage in New York and has been found in Lake Champlain in Vermont.

Flowering Rush (Butomus umbellatus)
This plant is well established in the Lake Champlain drainage and along the Connecticut River in Connecticut.

Parrot-feather (Myriophyllum aquaticum)
This South American species is established on Long Island, New York.

Public Access Board Sites, presented by region

The following pages provide information on the facilities of the Public Access Board (PAB), grouped by the region of the state (i.e. Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (DFW) district) in which they are found. Take a look at the statewide index map on pp. 16 -17 to see what region(s) of the state you're interested in. Next, go to the first page of the indicated region (DFW district) to look at a more detailed regional index map. PAB sites in that region are then presented in alphabetical order by facility name. Location maps are provided for the larger and/or more heavily used PAB sites, followed by a brief description (without location map) of the other PAB facilities in that region*. PAB facilities are also indexed alphabetically by city or town in Appendix 1, and by facility name in Appendix 2. The facility name typically refers to the body of water the site enables access to.

Here is an explanation of the terms that appear on the following pages:

Facility type:

General Access:	Concrete boat ramp and parking for boat trailers.
Fisherman Access:	Small concrete ramp, concrete pad ramp system or gravel ramp, and parking for boat trailers, designed for boats up to 16 feet and 20 horsepower. Persons using said facilities for boats and/or power systems greater than the aforementioned do so at their own risk. Local by-laws or other ordinances or regulations may also restrict use.
Cartop Access:	Access to lakes, ponds or rivers for small boats, canoes or kayaks.
Canoe Access:	Access to rivers most suitable to canoes and kayaks.
Sport Fishing Pier:	Pier that provides fishing area for recreational anglers – barrier free.
Shore Fishing Area:	Minimally improved property that provides shore fishing access.

Parking spaces:

Trailer:	May be used by vehicles with boat trailers or cartop boats unless signage instructs otherwise.
Cartop:	Vehicles with cartop craft only.
Single:	Vehicles without trailers.
N.A.	Not applicable (facility does not have this feature).

* Location maps to all PAB facilities (including the sites without maps in this book) are expected to eventually appear on the PAB's Internet Web page <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/pab>.

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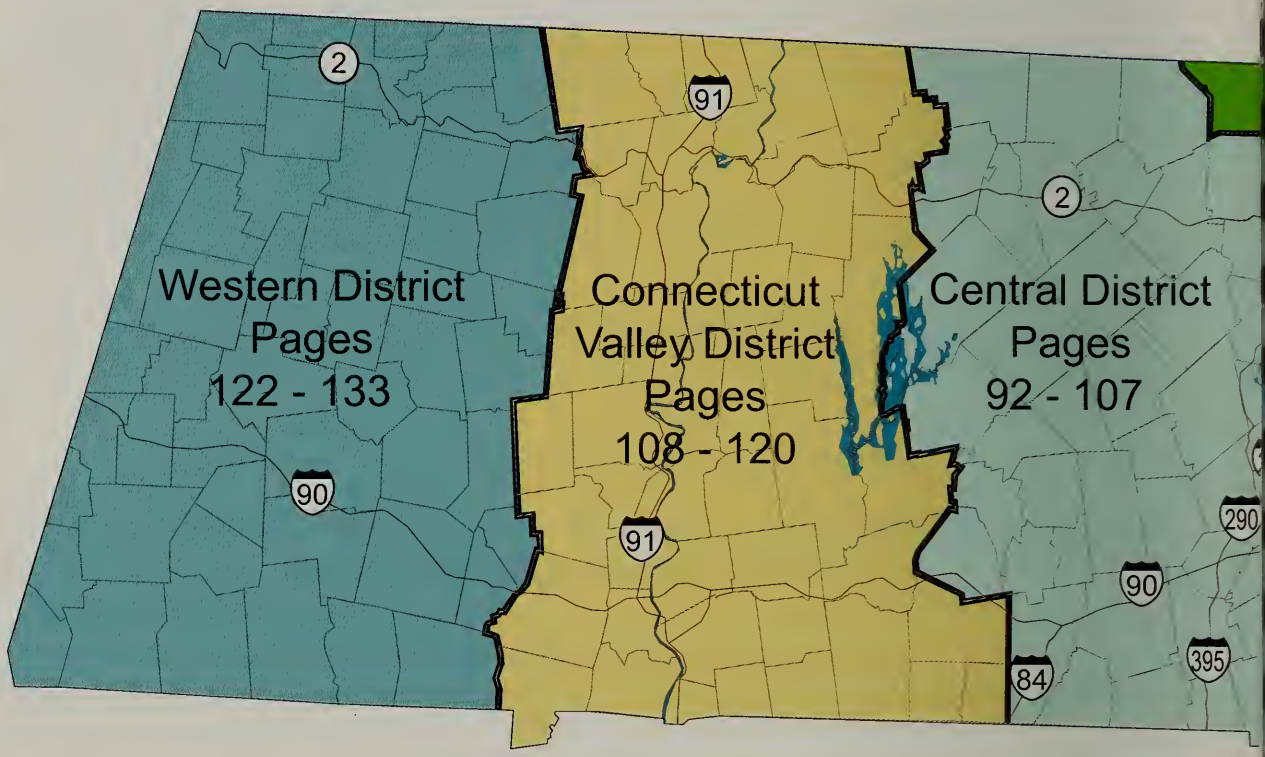

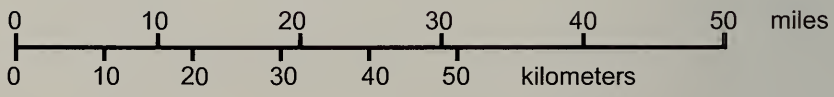

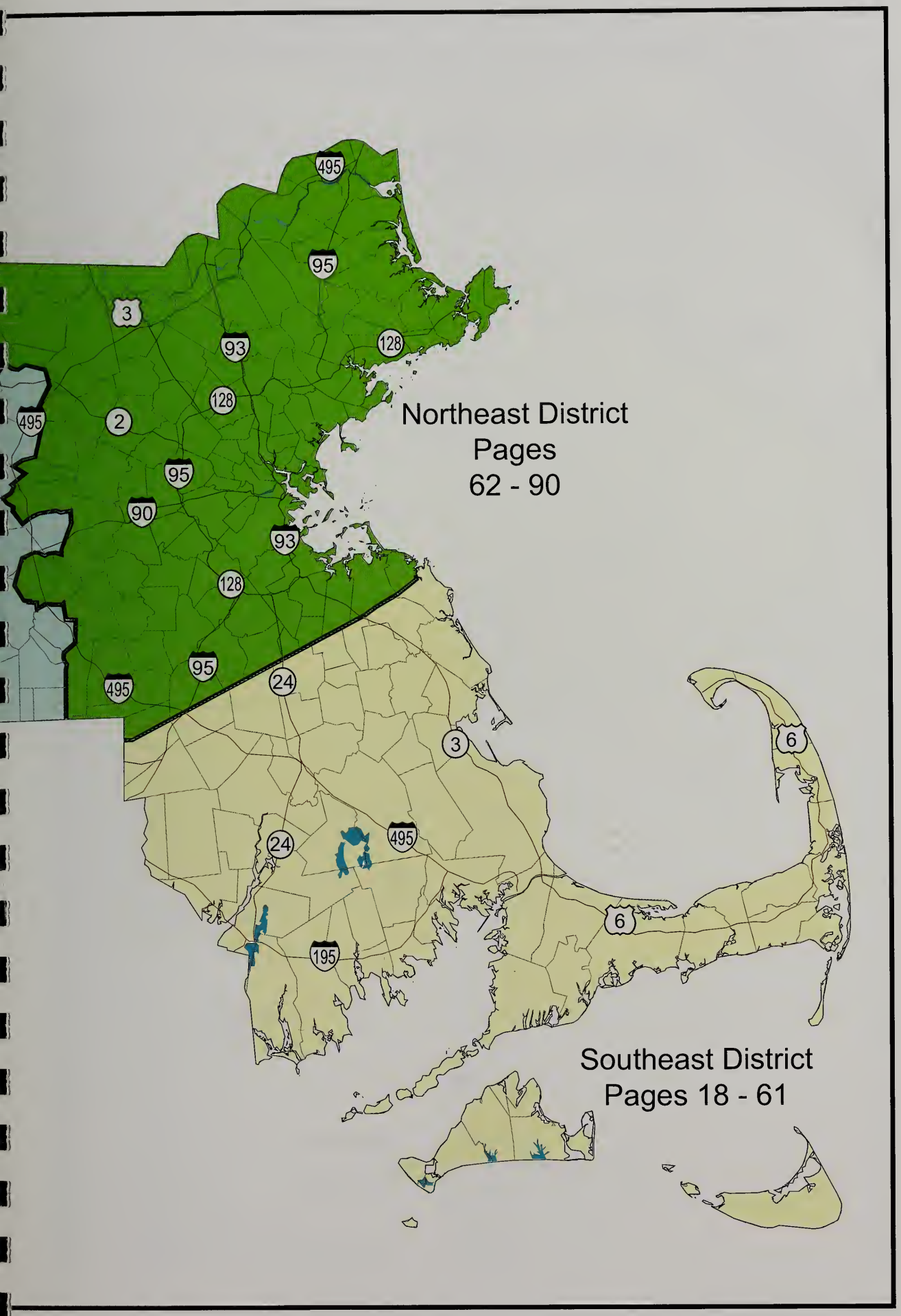
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SOUTHEAST WILDLIFE DISTRICT
COASTAL AND INLAND ACCESS SITES

Red Text indicates mapped sites.

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Southeast Wildlife District
Coastal and Inland Access Sites

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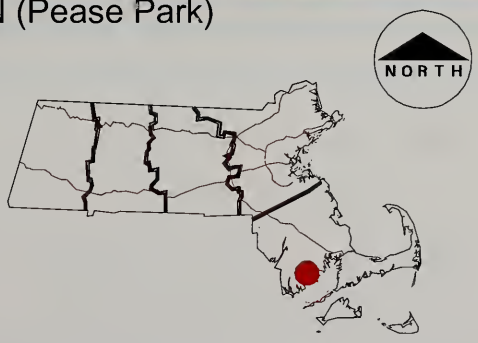
Boat launching at the Cole River PAB/Town of Swansea boat ramp, Ocean Grove Avenue (page 27). This facility provides access to the Cole and Lee Rivers as well as Mt. Hope and Narragansett Bays.

FACILITY NAME: ACUSHNET RIVER BASIN (Pease Park)

LOCATION: FAIRHAVEN, Middle St.



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— – Town Boundary

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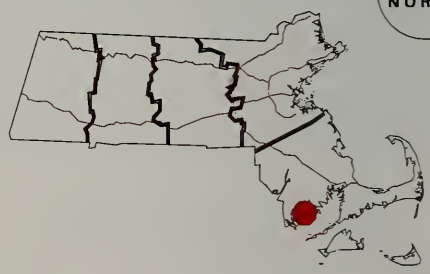
Managing Authority: **Town of Fairhaven**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**

FACILITY NAME: APPONAGANSETT BAY
LOCATION: DARTMOUTH, Bridge St.



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Town Boundary

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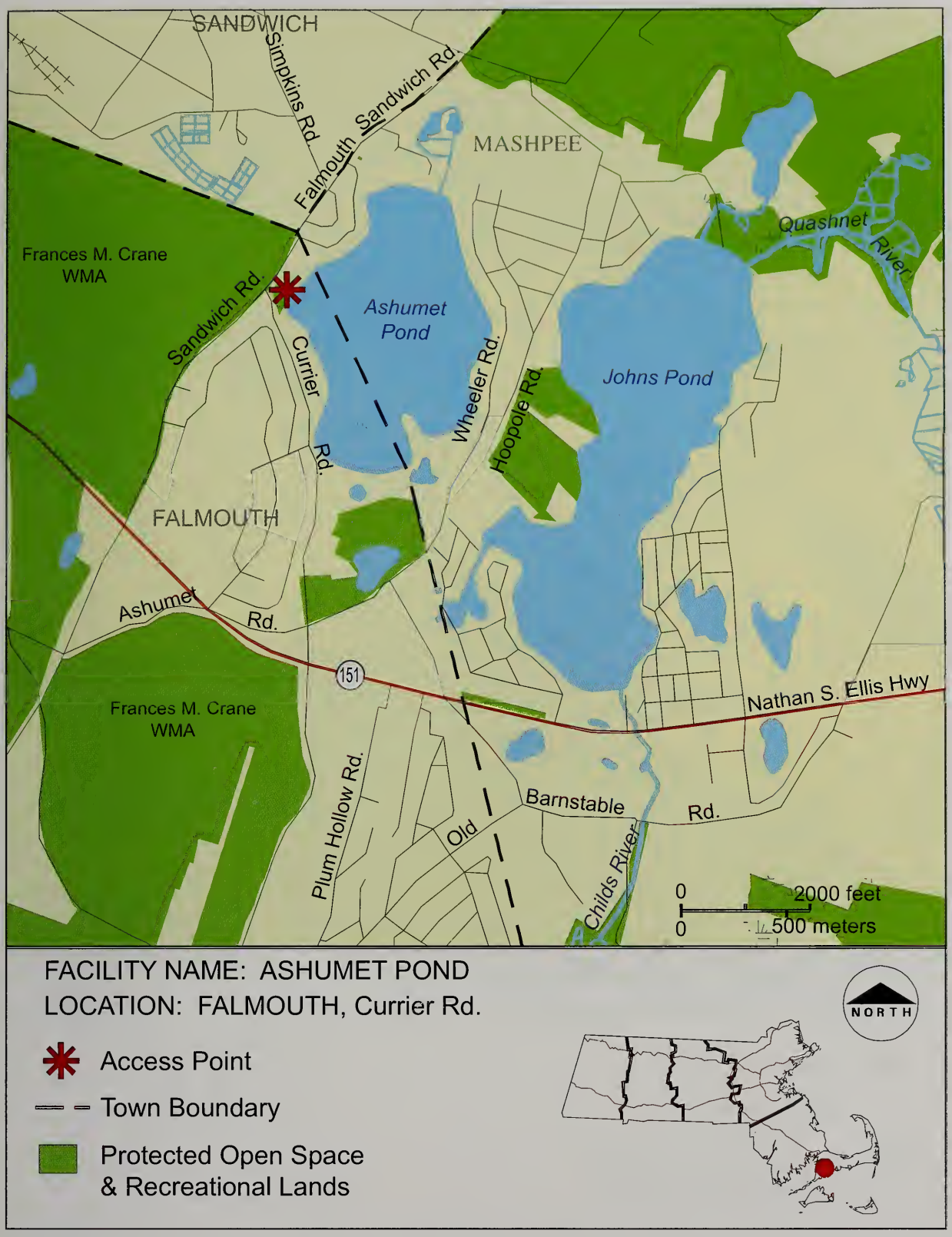
Managing Authority: **Town of Dartmouth**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **52 Trailers, 14 Singles**

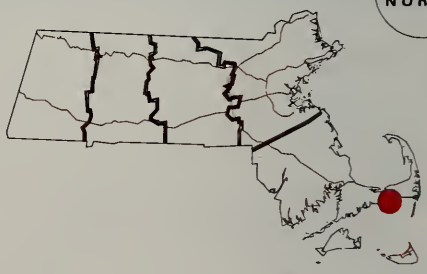
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**



Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **28 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: BASS RIVER
LOCATION: YARMOUTH, South St.



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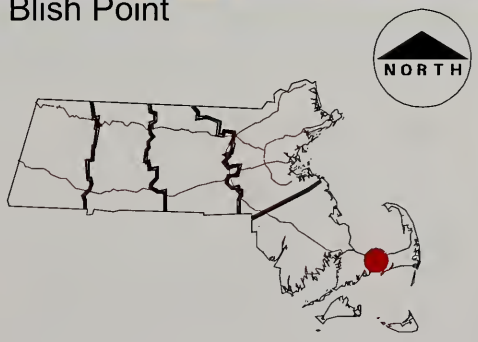
Managing Authority: **Town of Yarmouth**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **68 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: BARNSTABLE HARBOR, Blish Point
LOCATION: BARNSTABLE, Mill Way



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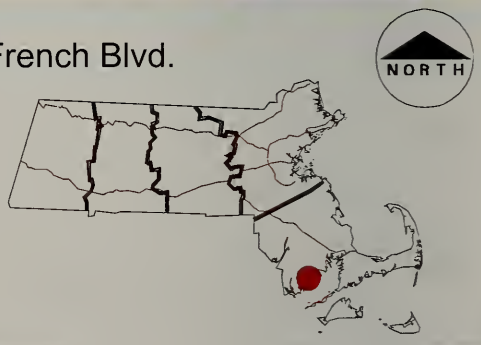
Managing Authority: **Town of Barnstable**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **34 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: CLARKS COVE
LOCATION: NEW BEDFORD, W. Rodney French Blvd.



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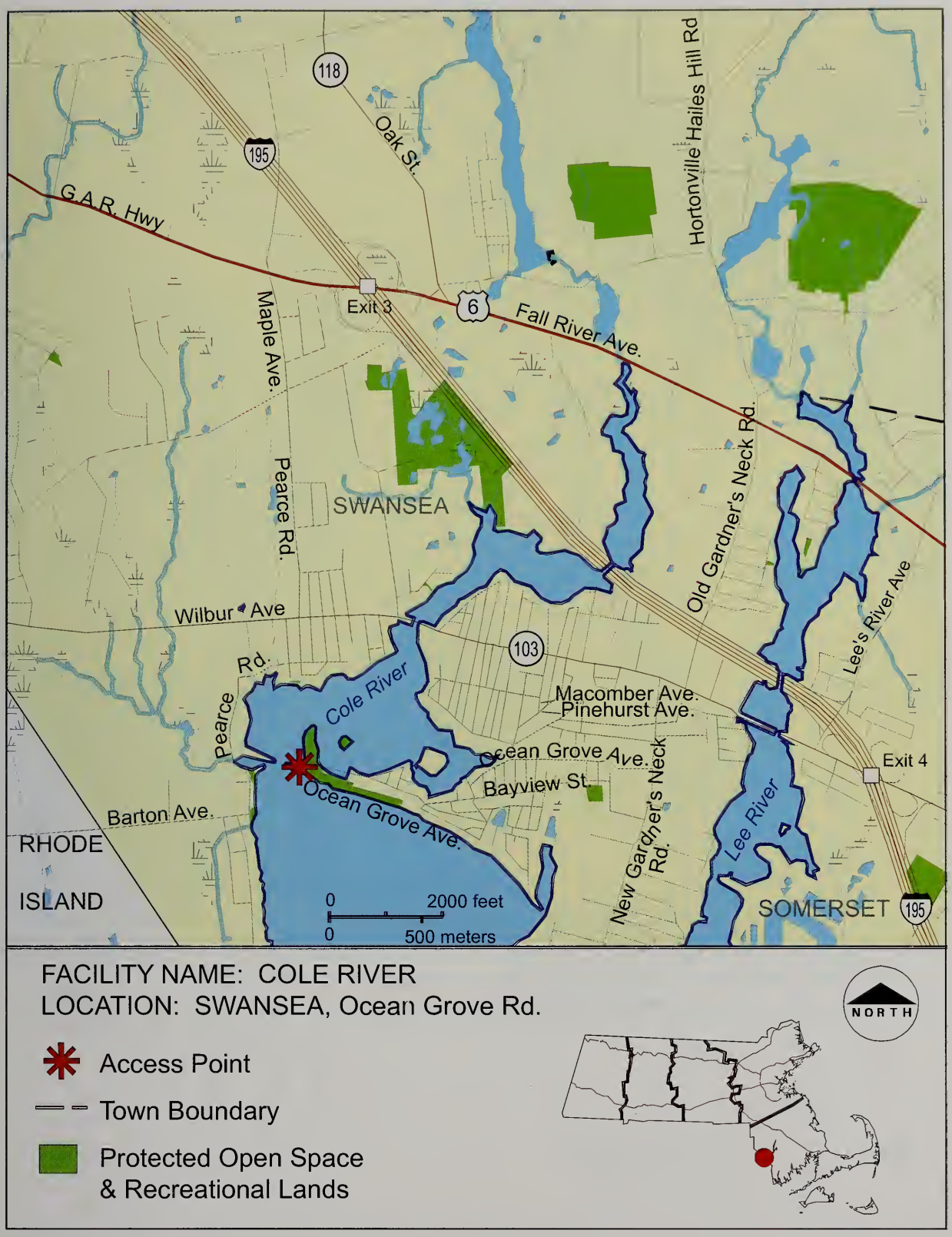
Managing Authority: **City of New Bedford**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **22 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**



Managing Authority: **Town of Swansea**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **40 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, Tautog, Fluke, Squeteague**

Managing Authority: **City of Fall River**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: FALLS POND
LOCATION: NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, Barbara Rd.

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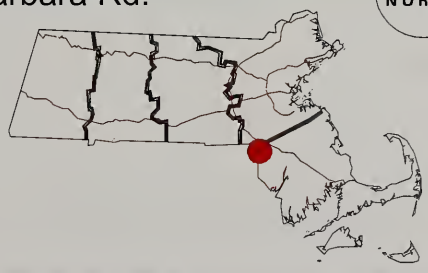
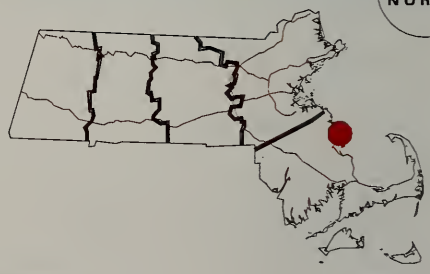


Managing Authority: **Town of North Attleboro**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **15 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: GREEN HARBOR
LOCATION: MARSHFIELD, Town Pier Rd.



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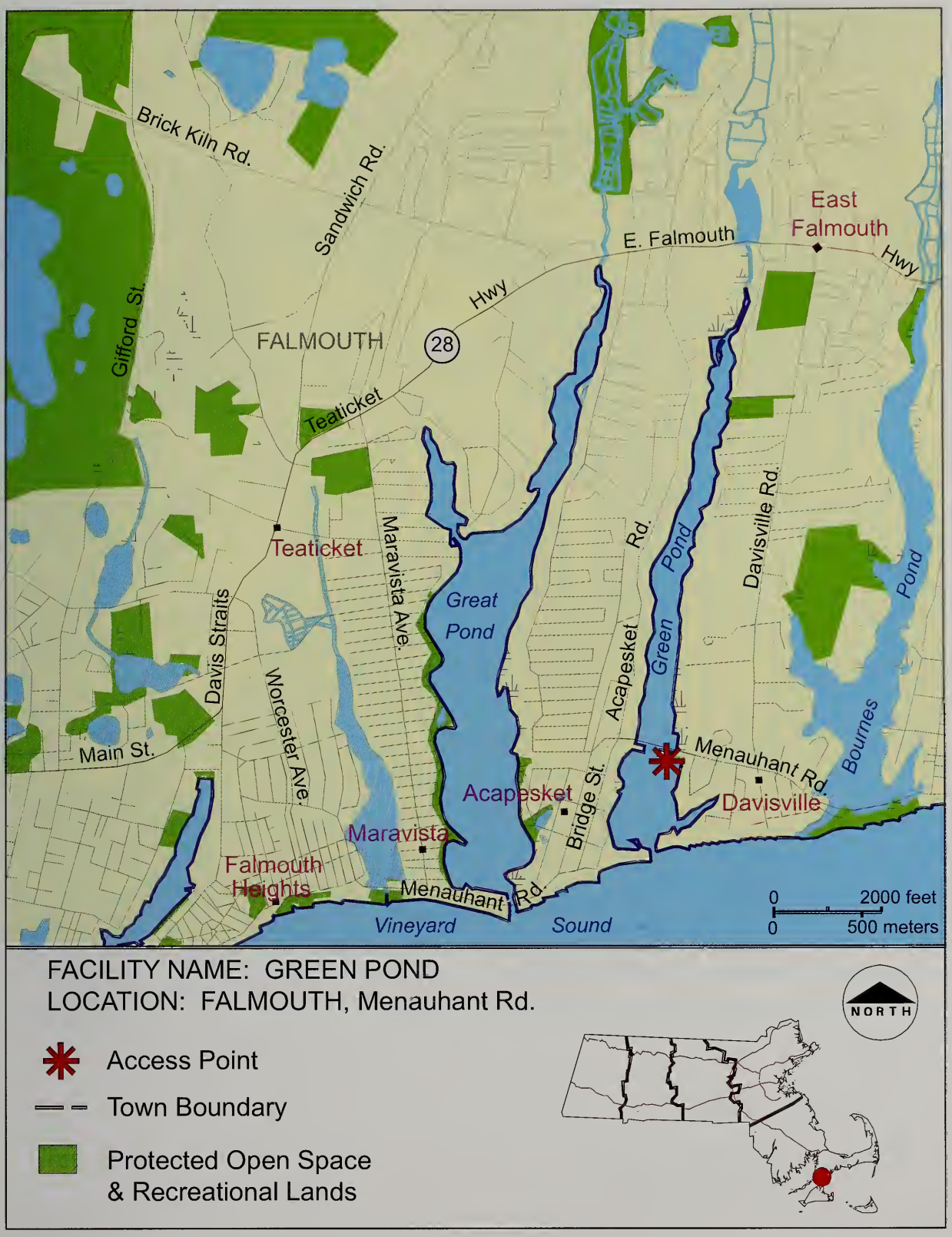
Managing Authority: **Town of Marshfield**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **74 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: GREEN POND
LOCATION: FALMOUTH, Menauhant Rd.

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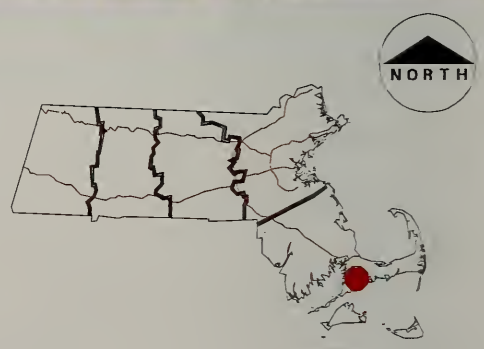
Managing Authority: **Town of Falmouth**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **18 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**

FACILITY NAME: JOHNS POND
LOCATION: MASHPEE, Hooppole Rd.



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Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch**

Managing Authority: **Town of Edgartown**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **28 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore, Tautog, Fluke, Squeteague**

FACILITY NAME: LAGOON POND
LOCATION: TISBURY, Beach Road

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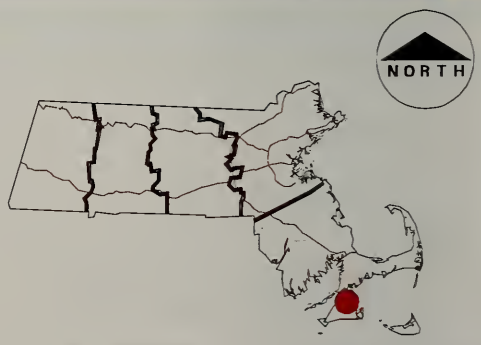
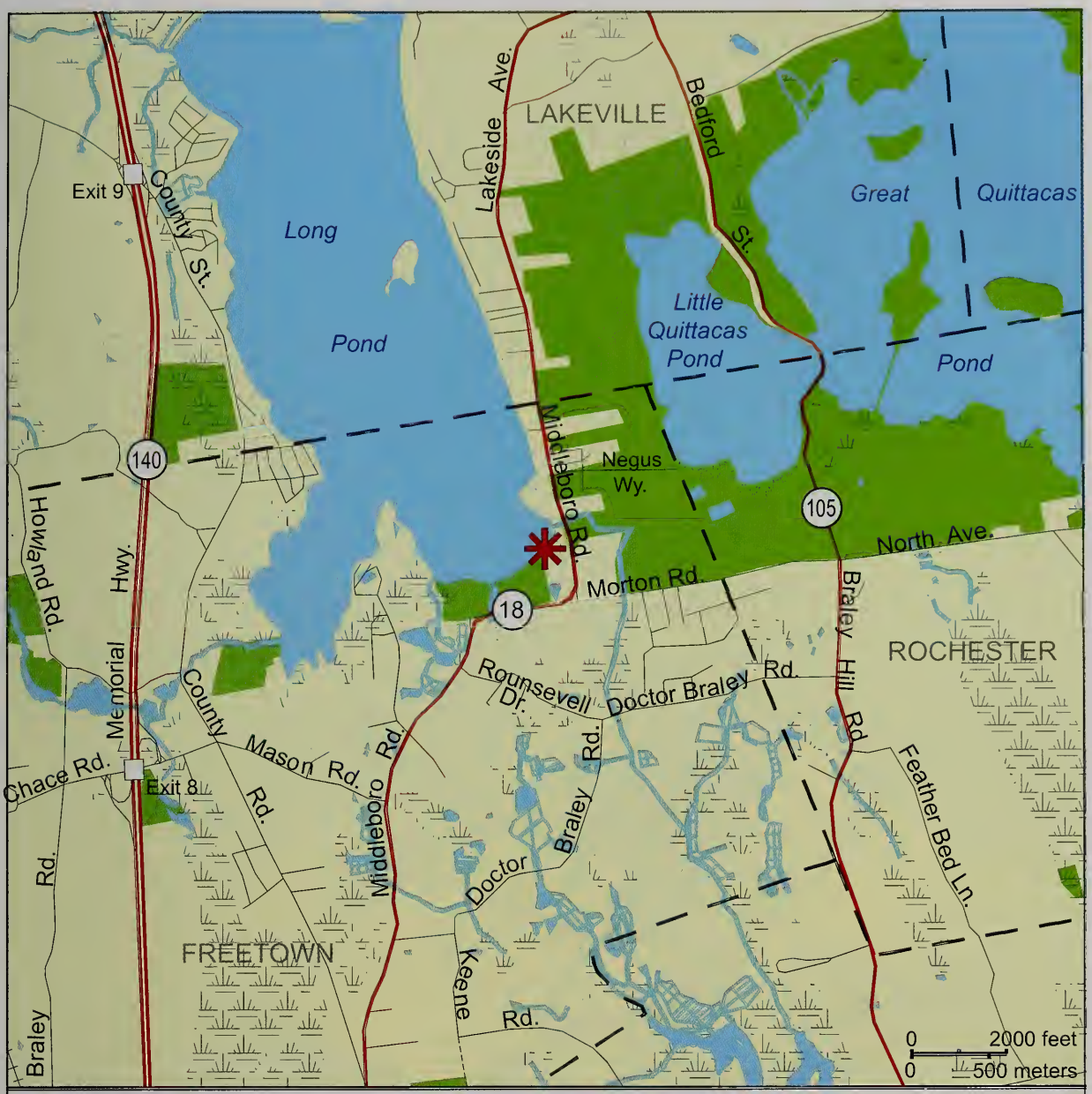


Managing Authority: **Town of Tisbury**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **28 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore, Tautog, Fluke, Squeteague**



FACILITY NAME: LONG POND
LOCATION: FREETOWN, Route 18

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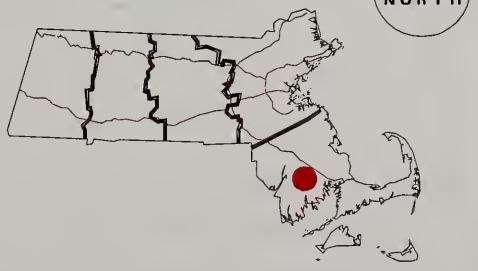
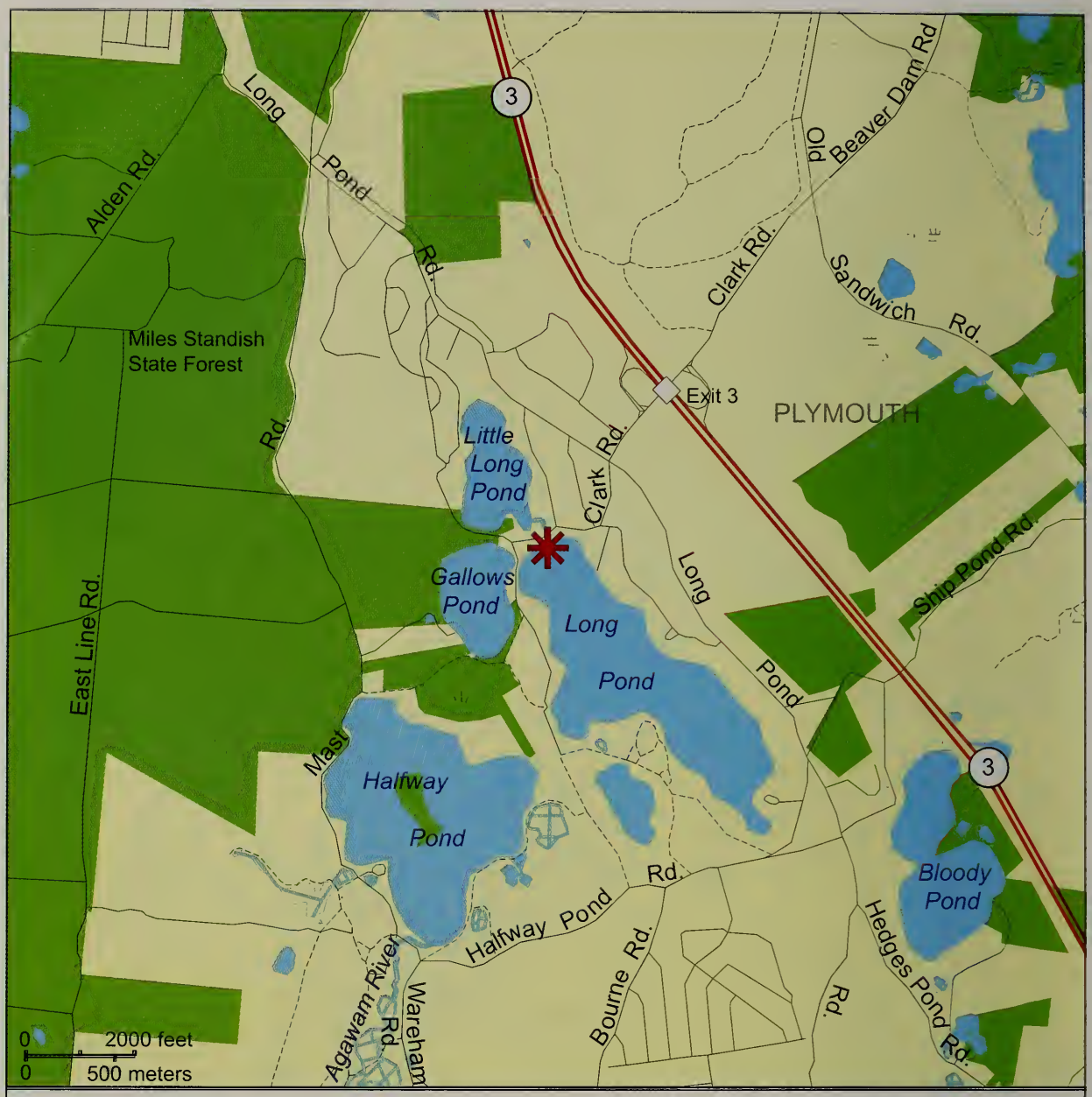


Managing Authority: **Town of Freetown**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **47 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: LONG POND
LOCATION: PLYMOUTH, Clark Rd.

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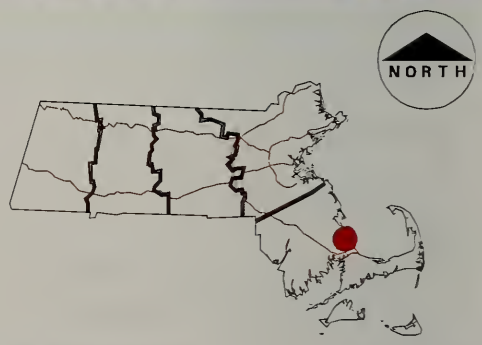
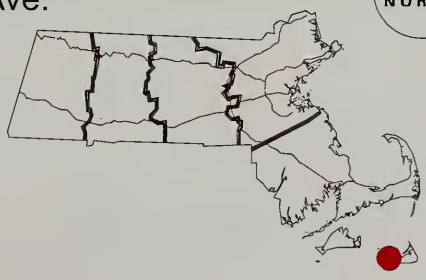


Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **29 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch**

FACILITY NAME: MADAKET HARBOR (JACKSON POINT)
LOCATION: NANTUCKET, Massachusetts Ave.



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Town Boundary

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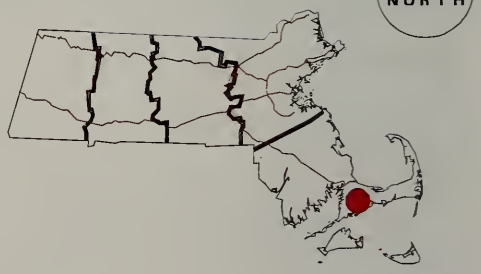
Managing Authority: **Town of Nantucket**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore, Tautog, Fluke**

FACILITY NAME: MASHPEE/WAKEBY PONDS
LOCATION: MASHPEE, Route 130



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Managing Authority: **Town of Mashpee**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **44 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: MONPONSETT POND
LOCATION: HALIFAX, Route 58

Access Point

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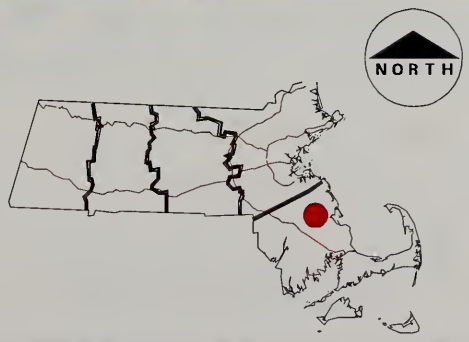

Managing Authority: **Town of Halifax**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **20 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: NASKETUCKET BAY (Sconticut Neck)
LOCATION: FAIRHAVEN, Ocean Ave.

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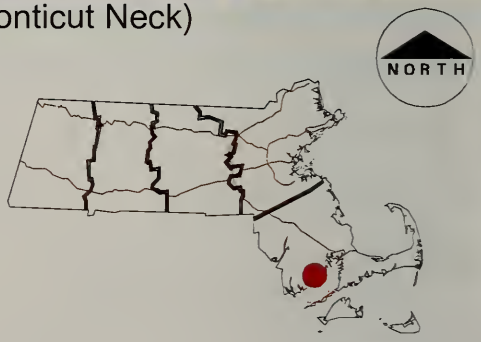
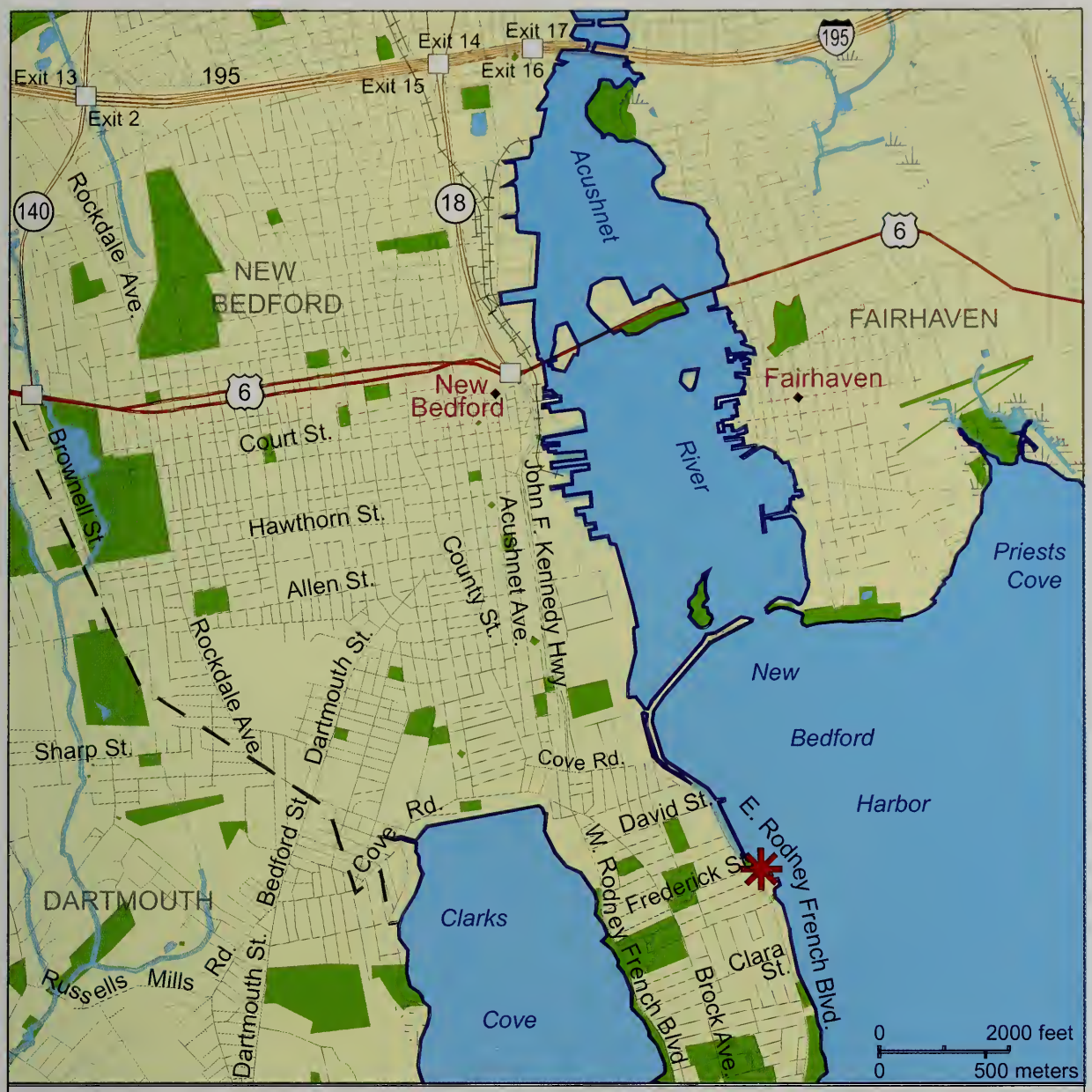
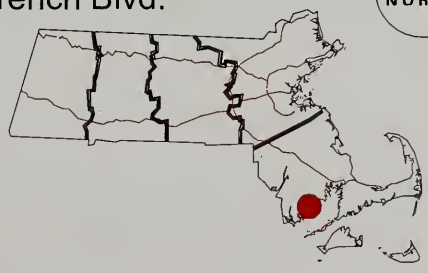


Managing Authority: **Town of Fairhaven**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **38 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**



FACILITY NAME: NEW BEDFORD HARBOR
LOCATION: NEW BEDFORD, E. Rodney French Blvd.



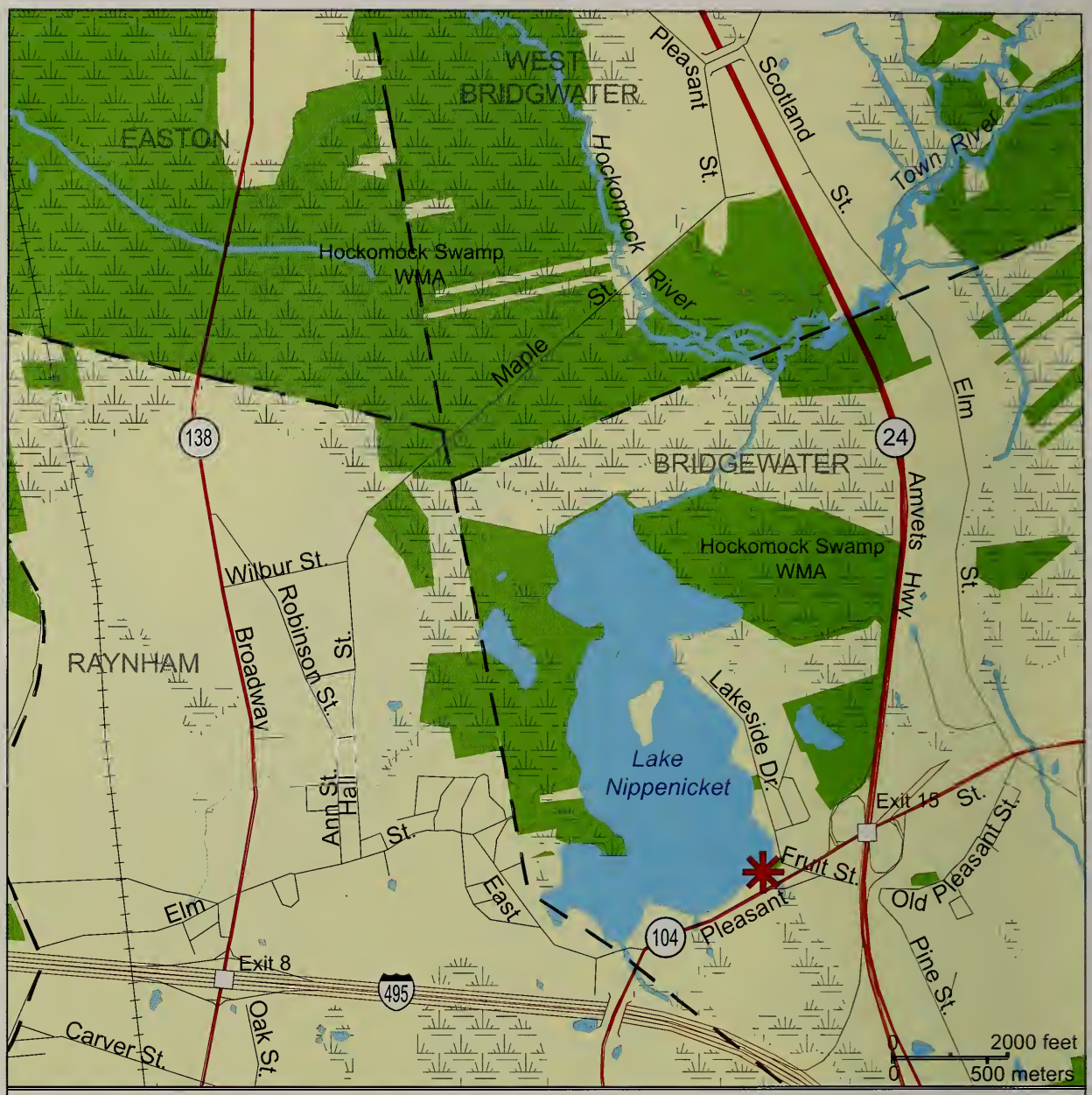
Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **City of New Bedford**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**



FACILITY NAME: LAKE NIPPENICKET
LOCATION: BRIDGEWATER, Route 104

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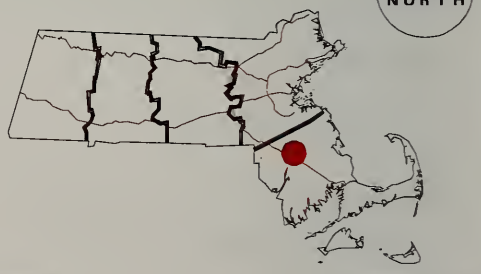

Managing Authority: **Town of Bridgewater**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **22 Trailers, 6 Cartop**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: PAMET RIVER
LOCATION: TRURO, Depot Rd.

Access Point

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Managing Authority: **Town of Truro**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: PETERS POND
LOCATION: SANDWICH, Ewer Rd.

Access Point

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Managing Authority: **Town of Truro**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **14 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

FACILITY NAME: PLYMOUTH HARBOR
LOCATION: PLYMOUTH, Water St.

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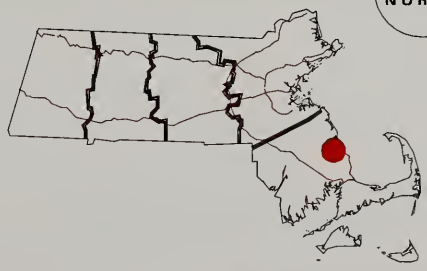
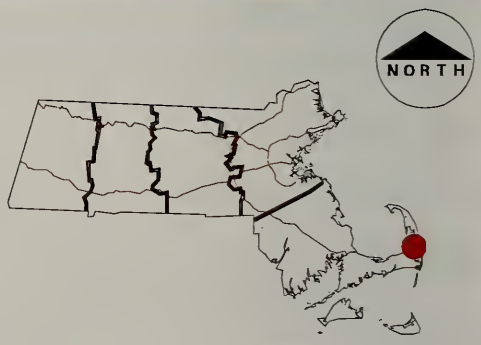


Managing Authority: **Town of Plymouth**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **102 Trailers, 15 Singles**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: ROCK HARBOR
LOCATION: EASTHAM, Dyer Prince Rd.



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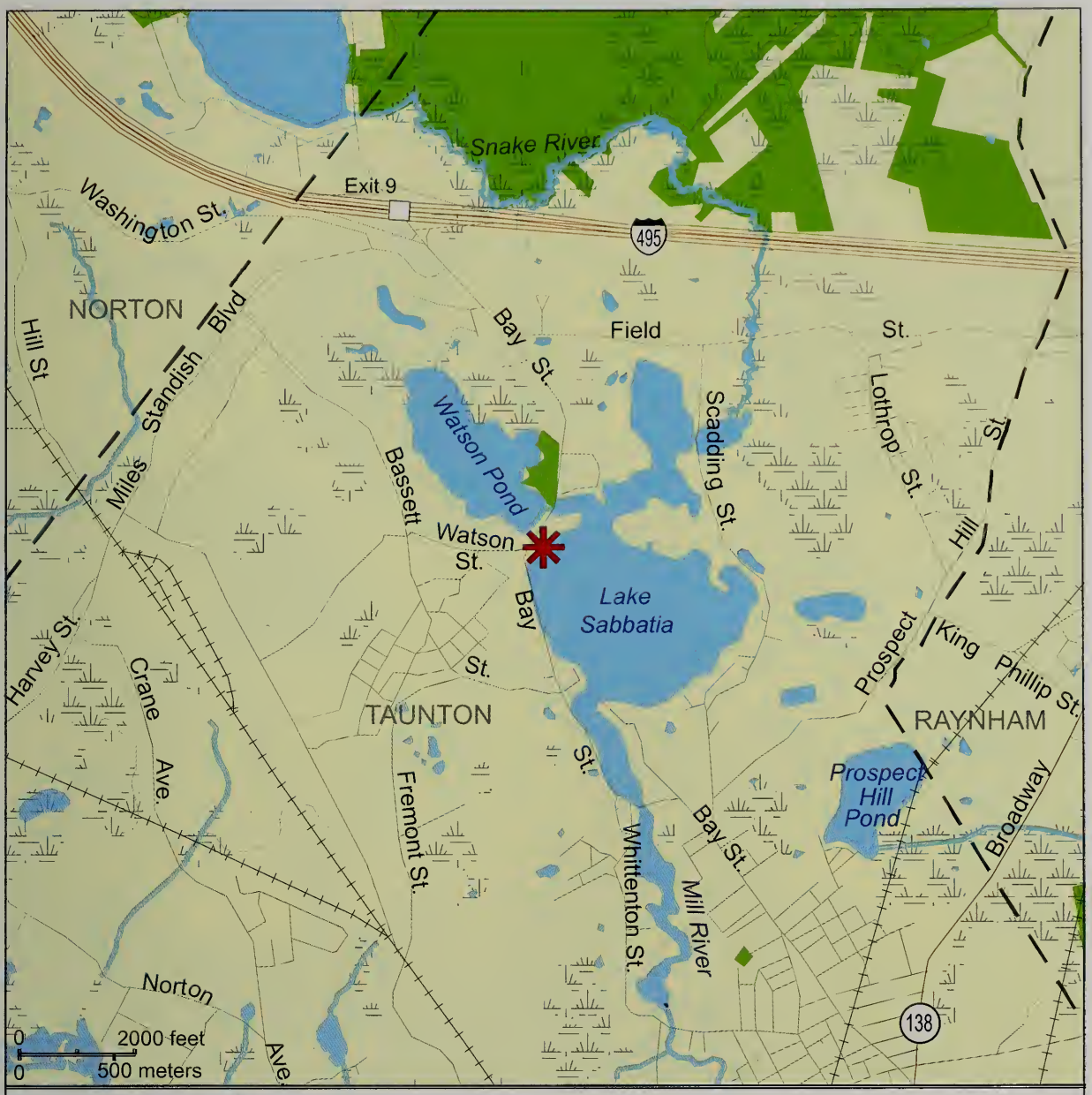
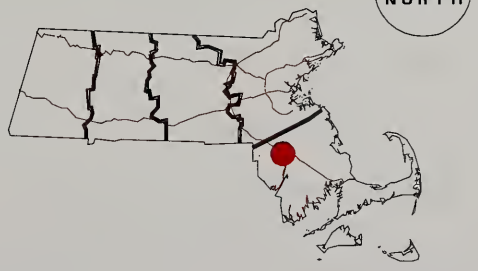
Managing Authority: **Town of Eastham**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **55 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: LAKE SABBATIA
LOCATION: TAUNTON, Bay St.



Access Point

Town Boundary

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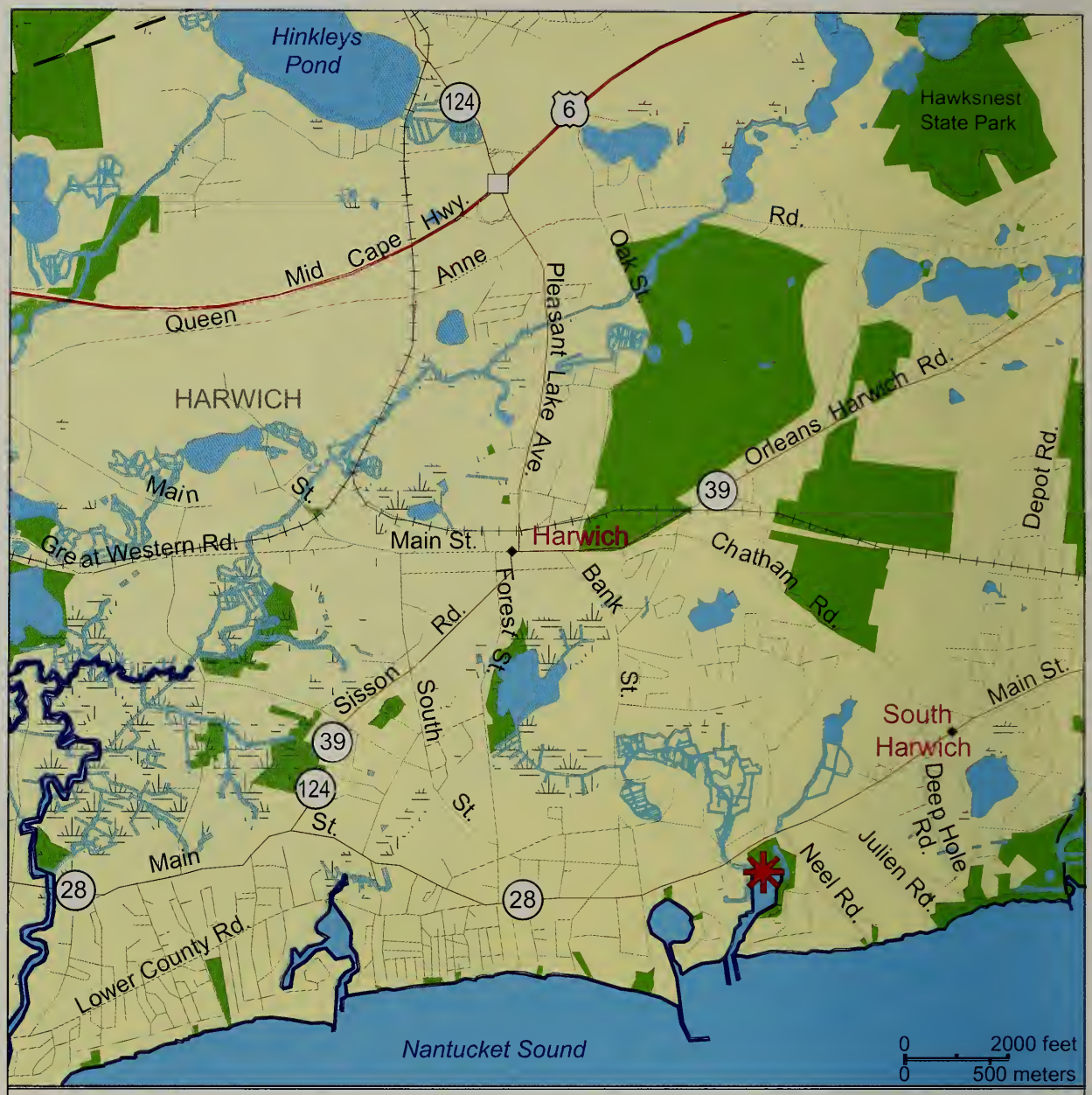
Managing Authority: **City of Taunton**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **17 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: SAQUATUCKET HARBOR
LOCATION: HARWICH, Route 28

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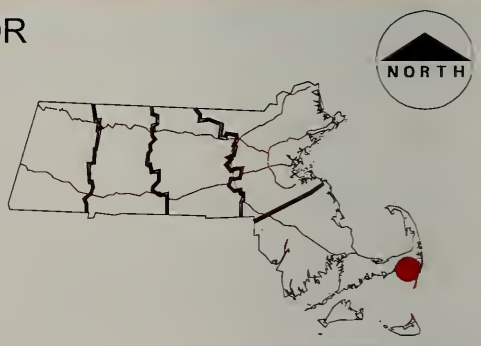

Managing Authority: **Town of Harwich**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **63 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke, Cod**

FACILITY NAME: SCITUATE HARBOR
LOCATION: SCITUATE, Jericho Rd.

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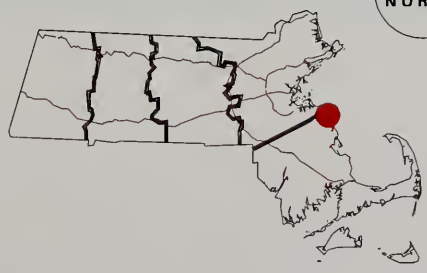

Managing Authority: **Town of Scituate**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **43 Trailers, 12 Singles**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: SESUIT HARBOR
LOCATION: DENNIS, Cold Storage Rd.

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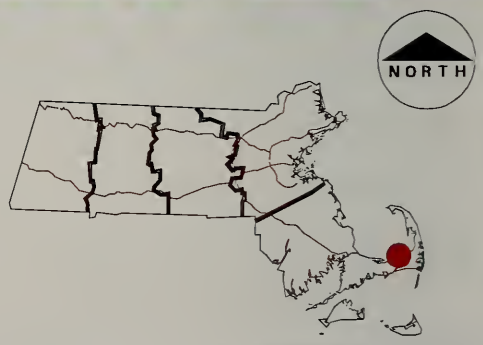
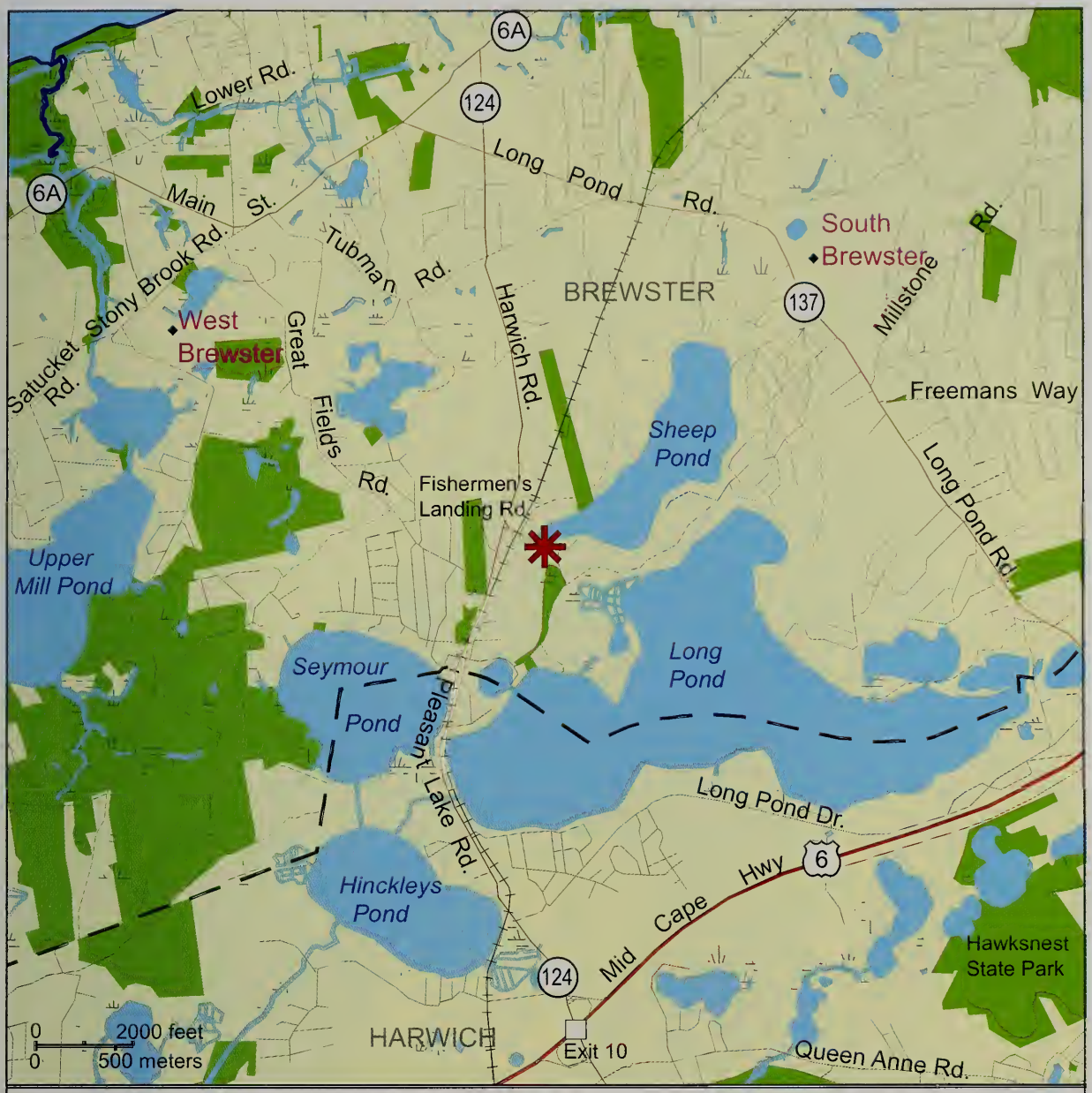


Managing Authority: **Town of Dennis**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **74 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: SHEEP POND
LOCATION: BREWSTER, Route 124

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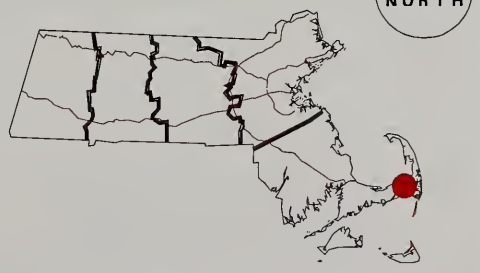
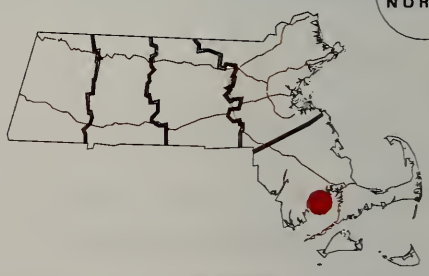


Managing Authority: **Town of Brewster**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **15 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Smallmouth bass**

FACILITY NAME: MATTAPOISETT HARBOR (Short Wharf)
LOCATION: MATTAPOISETT, Water St.



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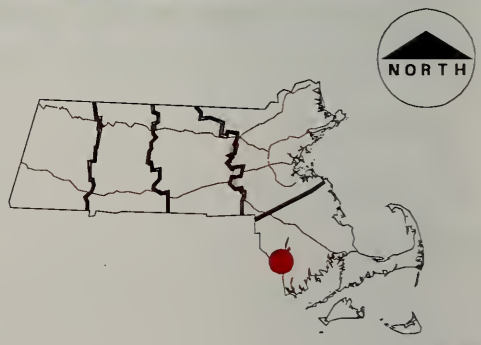
Managing Authority: **Town of Mattapoisett**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **22 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke**

Managing Authority: **City of Fall River**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **59 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Tiger muskee, White perch, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: TAUNTON RIVER BASIN
LOCATION: FALL RIVER, Brownell St.



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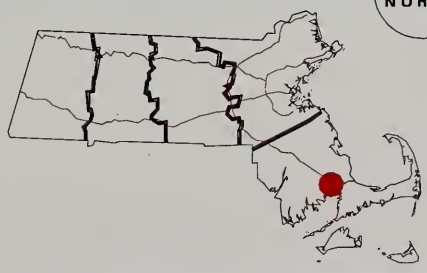
Managing Authority: **City of Fall River**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **47 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Tautog, Fluke, Squeteague**

FACILITY NAME: WAREHAM RIVER (Tempest Knob)
LOCATION: WAREHAM, Oak St.



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Managing Authority: **Town of Wareham**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **36 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke**

FACILITY NAME: WESTPORT RIVER
LOCATION: WESTPORT, Route 88

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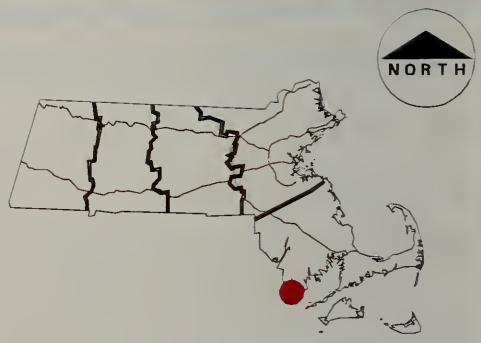
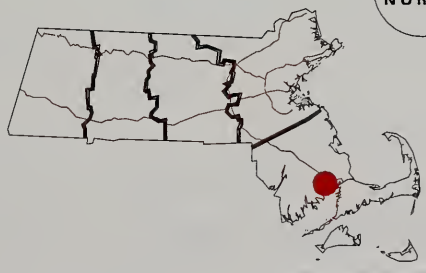


Managing Authority: **Town of Westport**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **60 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore, Tautog, Fluke, Squeteague**

FACILITY NAME: WEWEANTIC RIVER
LOCATION: WAREHAM, Route 195



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Managing Authority: **M.D.P.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **24 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Fluke**

Southeast Wildlife District
Additional PAB Coastal and Inland Access Sites

(Alphabetically by Facility Name – * Indicates Coastal Access)

BAKER POND (101)
Location: **Orleans, Baker Pond Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

BASS RIVER SPORTFISHING PIER*
Location: **Yarmouth, South St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Yarmouth**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke**

BIG BEAR HOLE POND (185)
Location: **Taunton, Massasoit State Park**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

CLIFF POND (165)
Location: **Brewster, Nickerson State Park**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

GREAT HERRING POND (11)
Location: **Bourne, Sandy Pond Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

GREAT ROCK BIGHT SHOREFISHING AREA* (190)
Location: **Chilmark, North Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **M.V.L.B.**
Facility Type: **Shorefishing Area**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore**

HAMBLINS POND (175)
Location: **Barnstable, Route 149**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Barnstable**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Smallmouth bass**

HITHER CREEK* (106)
Location: **Nantucket, F Street**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **4 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Nantucket**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Bonito, False albacore, Tautog, Fluke**

HOCKOMOCK RIVER (97)
Location: **West Bridgewater, Route 106**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

INDIAN HEAD RIVER (92)
Location: **Hanover, Riverside Dr.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **15 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Hanover**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, White perch, Shad**

LITTLE CLIFF POND (104)
Location: **Brewster, Nickerson State Park**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Smallmouth bass**

LITTLE LONG POND (10 A)
Location: **Plymouth, Clark Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch**

LONG POND (152)
Location: **Yarmouth, Davis Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **4 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Yarmouth**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

LOVELLS POND (110)
Location: **Barnstable, Newtown Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Barnstable**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

PARKERS RIVER SPORTFISHING PIER* (164)
Location: **Yarmouth, Route 28**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Yarmouth**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Flounder**

SANDY POND (154)
Location: **Plymouth, Blueberry Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **2 Trailers, 3 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

SCHOOLHOUSE POND (178)
Location: **Brewster, Route 6A**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **3 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Brewster**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

SCHOOLHOUSE POND FISHING PIER
Location: **Brewster, Route 6A**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Brewster**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

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SEAPIT RIVER (Seapit Landing) (163)
Location: **Falmouth, Town Landing Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Falmouth**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke**

SENGEKONTACKET POND (Pecoy Point)* (191)
Location: **Oak Bluffs, Pulpit Rock Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: 4 **Cartop**
Managing Authority: **M.V.L.B.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Flounder**

SENGEKONTACKET POND* (180)
Location: **Oak Bluffs, Beach Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Oak Bluffs**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Fluke**

SHUBAEL POND (121)
Location: **Barnstable, Willimantic Drive**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Barnstable**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Smallmouth bass**

SLOUGH POND (177)
Location: **Brewster, Slough Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Brewster**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

SNAKE RIVER (Winnecunnet Pond) (94)
Location: **Norton, Bay Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Smallmouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

SNIPATUIT POND (8)
Location: **Rochester, Neck Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, Pickerel, Black crappie**

TISBURY GREAT POND* (155)
Location: **West Tisbury, Sepiessa Point Res.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **M.V.L.B.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Fluke**

TISPAQUIN POND (7)
Location: **Middleborough, Eldon Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

WAREHAM RIVER SPORTFISHING PIER* (196)
Location: **Wareham, Besse Park, Main St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Wareham**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Fluke**

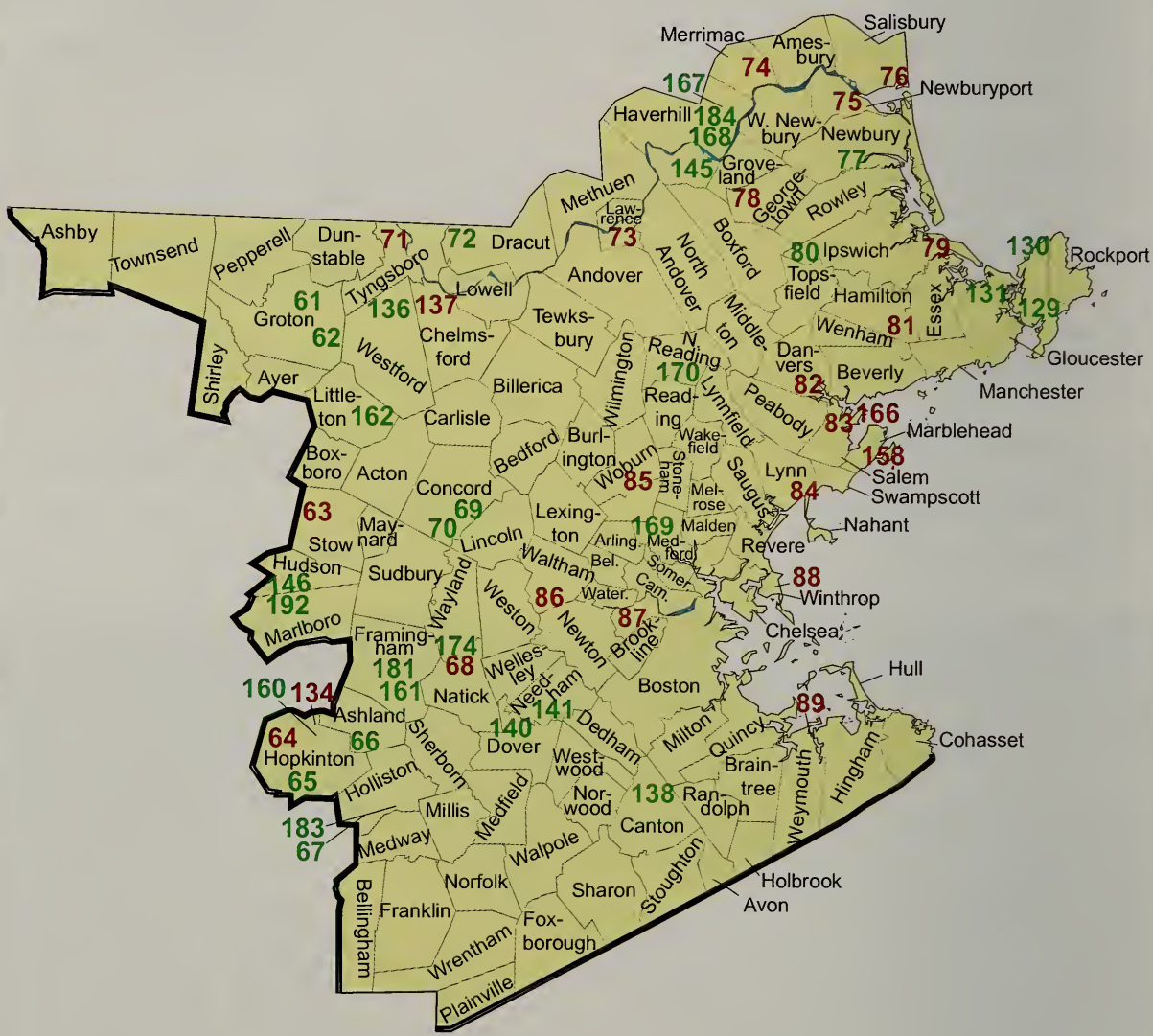
WEQUAKET POND (176)
Location: **Barnstable, Hill Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Barnstable**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

WEST MEADOWS POND (96)
Location: **W. Bridgewater, W. Meadows WMA**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **20 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

WHITING POND (139)
Location: **North Attleboro, Broadway**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of North Attleboro**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch**

PAB/Town of Wareham Sportfishing Piers at Besse Park (see above). Photo by Jack Sheppard.

NORTHEAST WILDLIFE DISTRICT
COASTAL AND INLAND ACCESS SITES



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Northeast Wildlife District
Coastal and Inland Access Sites

(Sorted Numerically by PAB #)

PAB #	FACILITY NAME	LOCATION	PAGE
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63	Delaney Pond	Stow	72
64	Whitehall Reservoir	Hopkinton	85
65	North Pond	Hopkinton	89
66	Ashland Reservoir	Ashland	87
67	Lake Winthrop	Holliston	90
68	Lake Cochitutate	Wayland	70
69	Walden Pond	Concord	90
70	White Pond	Concord	90
71	Flint Pond	Tyngsborough	73
72	Mascuppic Lake	Dracut	89
73	Merrimack River (Riley Park)	Lawrence	81
74	Lake Attitash	Merrimac	64
75	Merrimack River (Cashman Park)	Newburyport	80
76	Black Rock Creek	Salisbury	66
77	Parker River	Newbury	89
78	Rock Pond	Georgetown	83
79	Ipswich River	Ipswich	76
80	Hood Pond	Ipswich	88
81	Chebacco Lake	Hamilton	69
82	Porter River (Popes Landing)	Danvers	82
83	Danvers River	Salem	71
84	Lynn Harbor	Nahant	77
85	Horn Pond	Woburn	74
86	Charles River	Waltham	68
87	Charles River	Brighton	67
88	Winthrop Harbor	Winthrop	86
89	Back River	Weymouth	65
129	Annisquam River (Corliss Landing)	Gloucester	87
130	Lanes Cove	Gloucester	88
131	Jones River (Long Wharf)	Gloucester	88
134	Hopkinton Reservoir	Ashland	75
136	Long Sought For Pond	Westford	88
137	Merrimack River	Chelmsford	79
138	Ponkapoag Pond	Canton	89
140	Charles River (Elm Bank)	Dover	87
141	Charles River	Needham	87
145	Merrimack River	Haverhill	89
146	Assabet River	Hudson	87
158	Marblehead Harbor (Riverhead Beach)	Marblehead	78
160	Hopkinton Reservoir	Hopkinton	88
161	Farm Pond	Framingham	87
162	Long Pond	Littleton	88
166	Salem Harbor (Winter Island)	Salem	84
167	Lake Pentucket	Haverhill	89
168	Lake Saltonstall	Haverhill	89
169	Mystic Lake (Upper)	Medford	89
170	Ipswich River	North Reading	88
174	Lake Cochituate	Wayland	87
181	Sudbury River	Framingham	90
183	Lake Winthrop Shorefishing Area	Holliston	90
184	Lake Pentucket Shorefishing Area	Haverhill	89
192	Fort Meadow Reservoir	Marlborough	88

FACILITY NAME: LAKE ATTITASH
LOCATION: MERRIMAC, Attitash St.

Access Point

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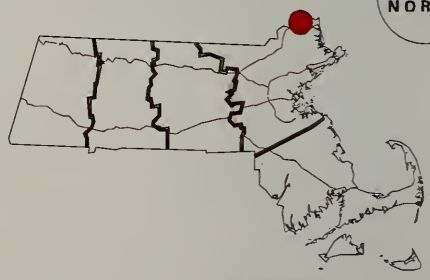

Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **22 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel**

FACITLITY NAME: BACK RIVER
LOCATION: WEYMOUTH, Neck St.

Access Point

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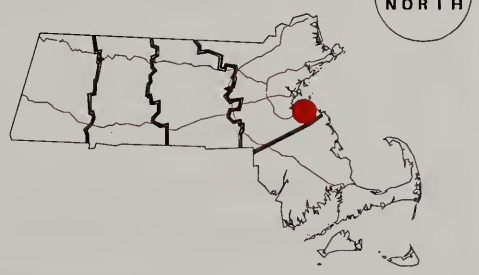

Managing Authority: **Town of Weymouth**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **88 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: BLACK ROCK CREEK
LOCATION: SALISBURY, Salisbury Beach State Reservation

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Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **60 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: CHARLES RIVER
LOCATION: BRIGHTON, Nonantum Rd.

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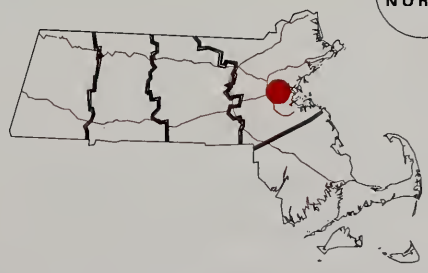

Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
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Parking Spaces: **80 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
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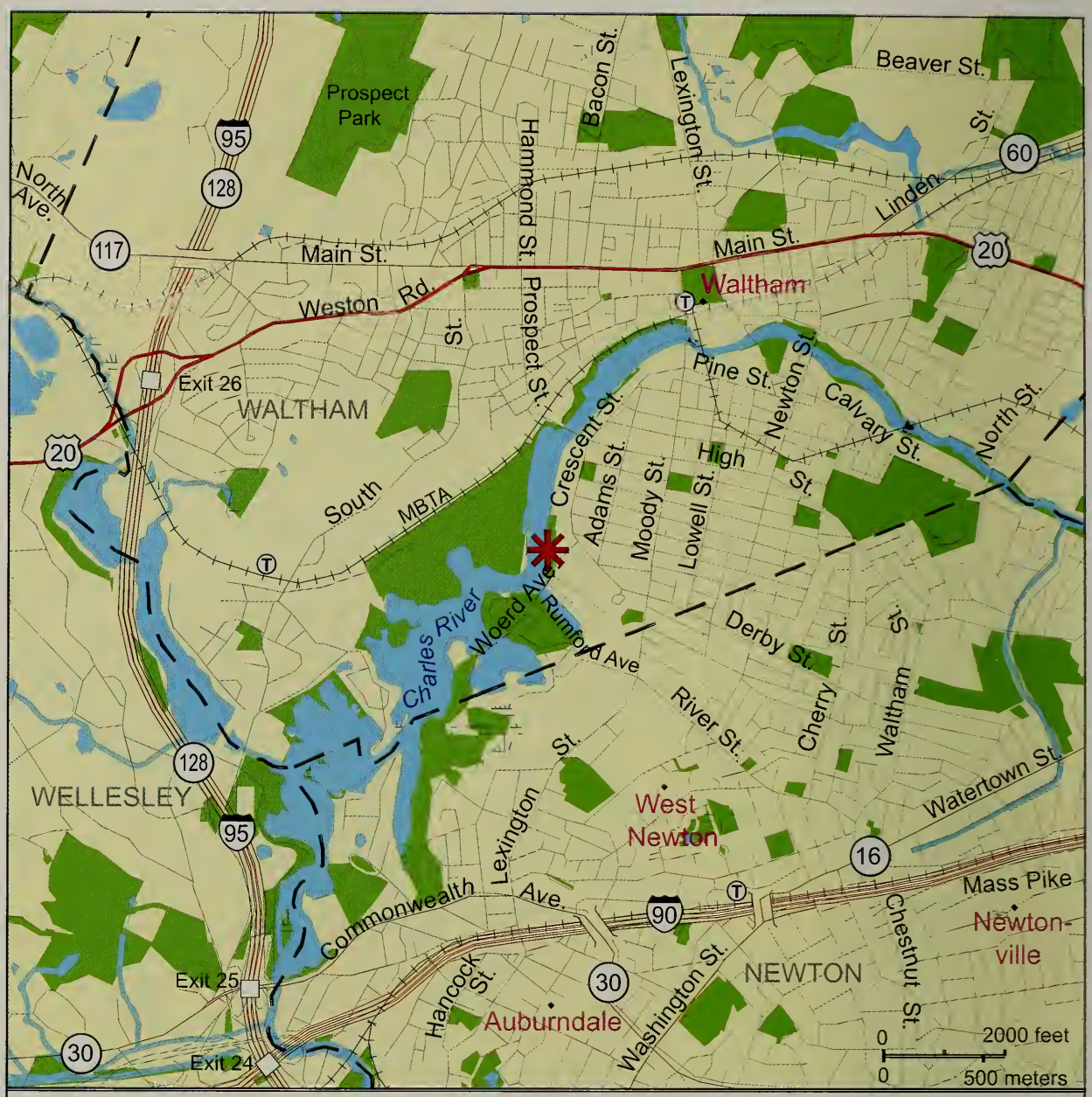
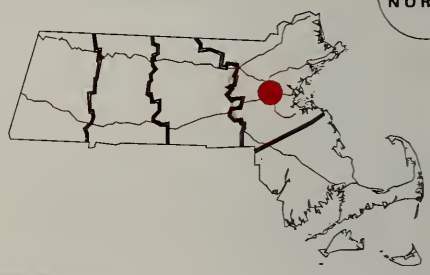


FACILITY NAME: CHARLES RIVER
LOCATION: WALTHAM, Woerd St.



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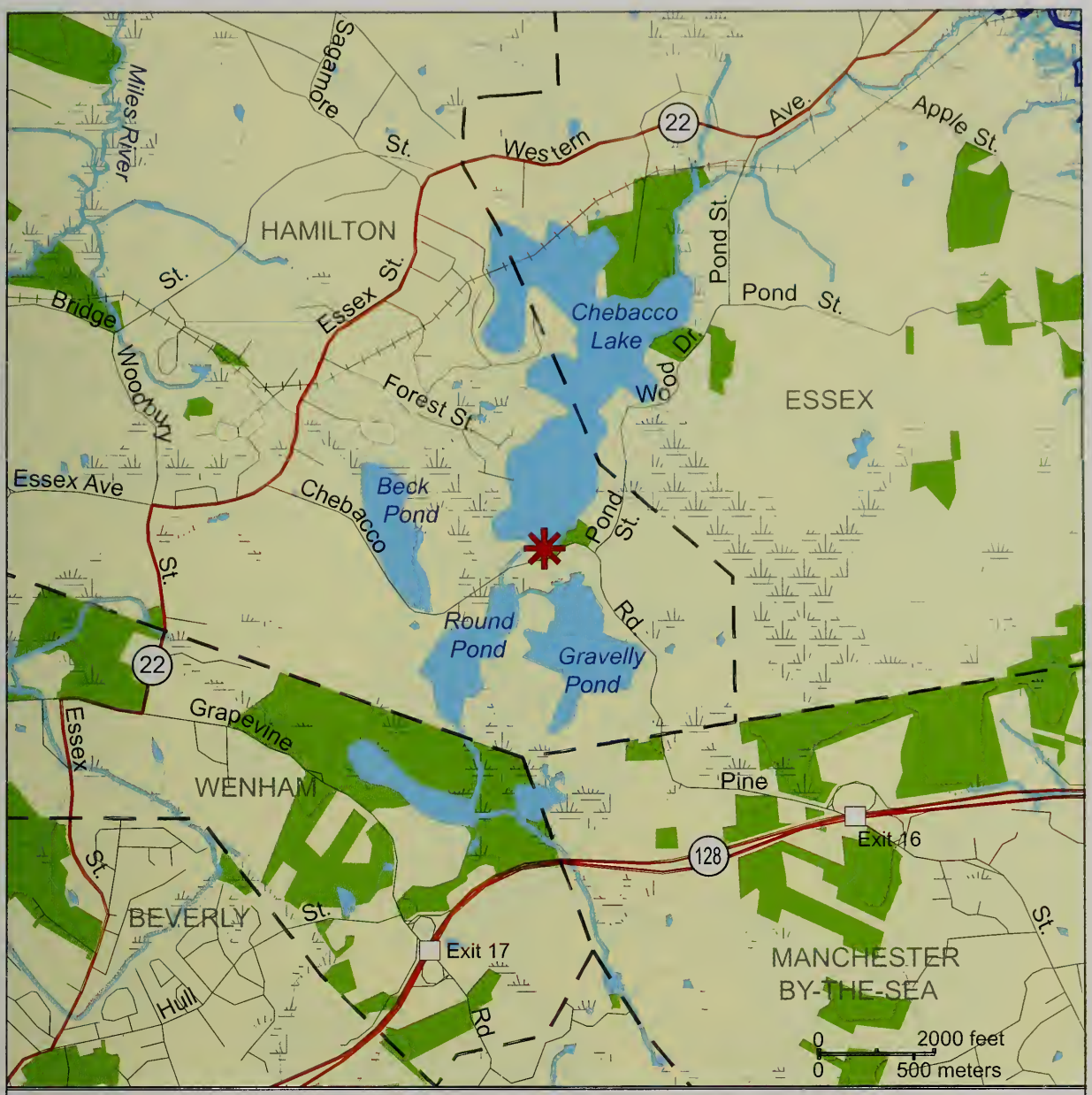
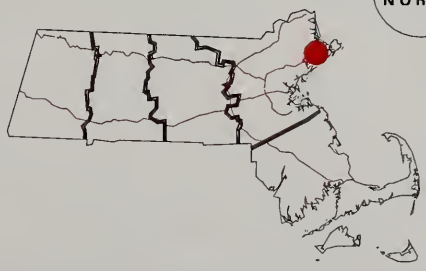
Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **15 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: CHEBACCO LAKE
LOCATION: HAMILTON, Chebacco Rd.



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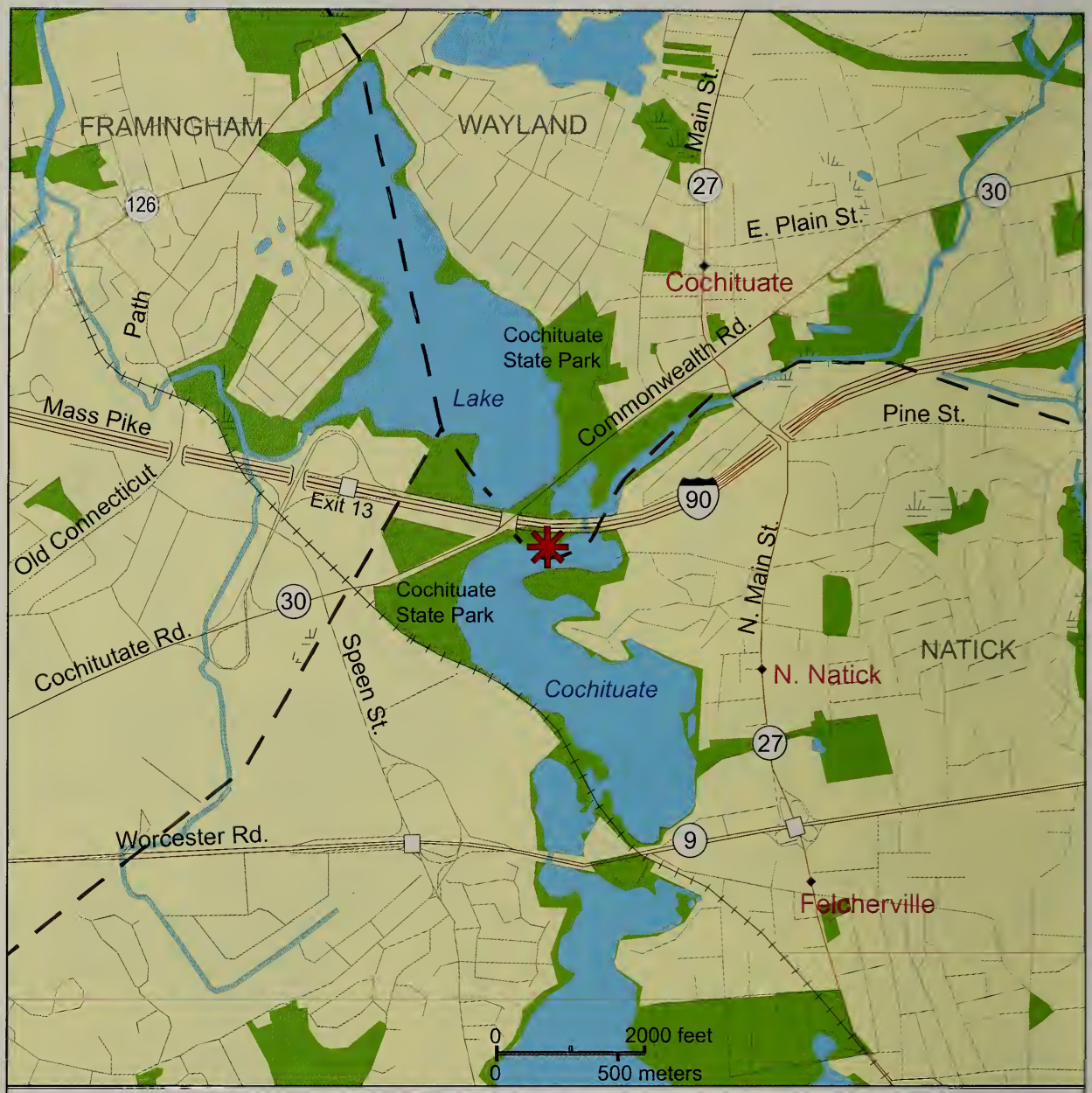
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **17 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: LAKE COCHITUATE

LOCATION: WAYLAND, Cochituate State Park, Route 30

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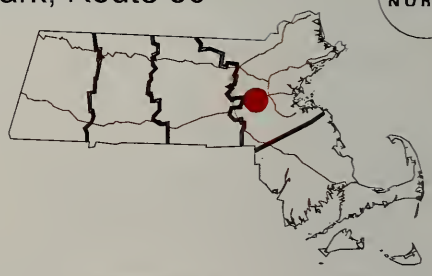

Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **50 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: DANVERS RiVER
LOCATION: SALEM, Kernwood Ave.

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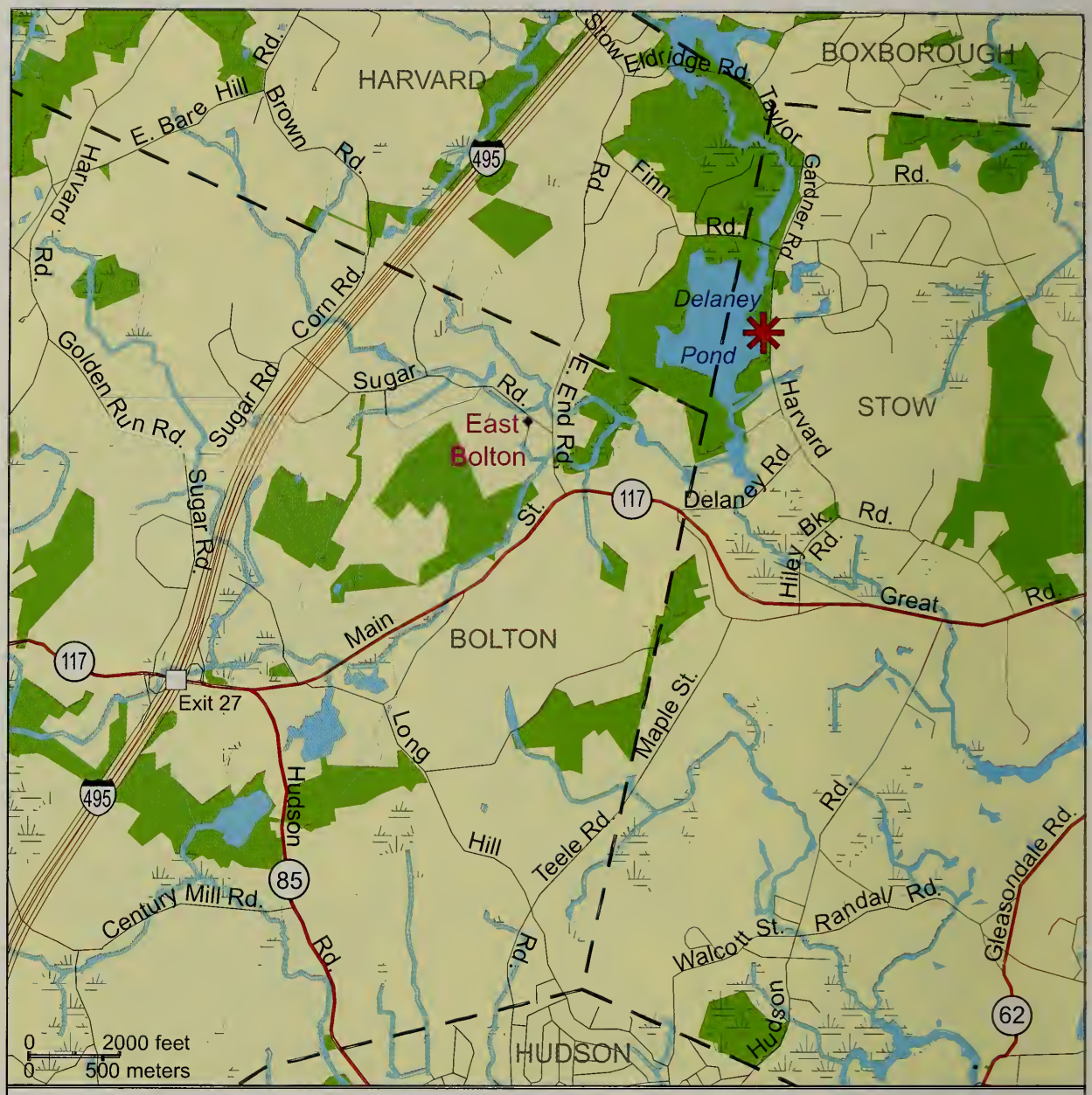
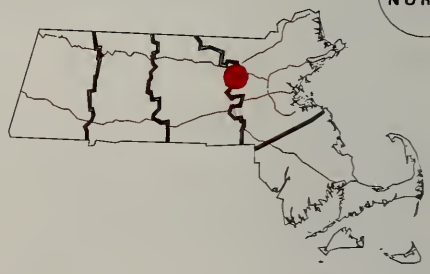
Managing Authority: **City of Salem**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **42 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: DELANEY POND
LOCATION: STOW, Harvard Rd.



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Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **12 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: FLINT POND
LOCATION: TYNGSBOROUGH, Route 113

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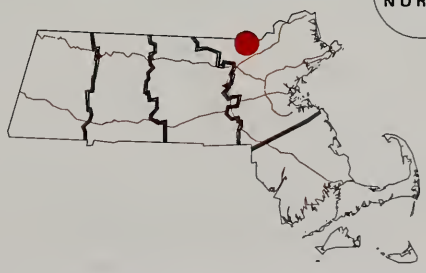

Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: HORN POND
LOCATION: WOBURN, Lake Ave.

Access Point

Town Boundary

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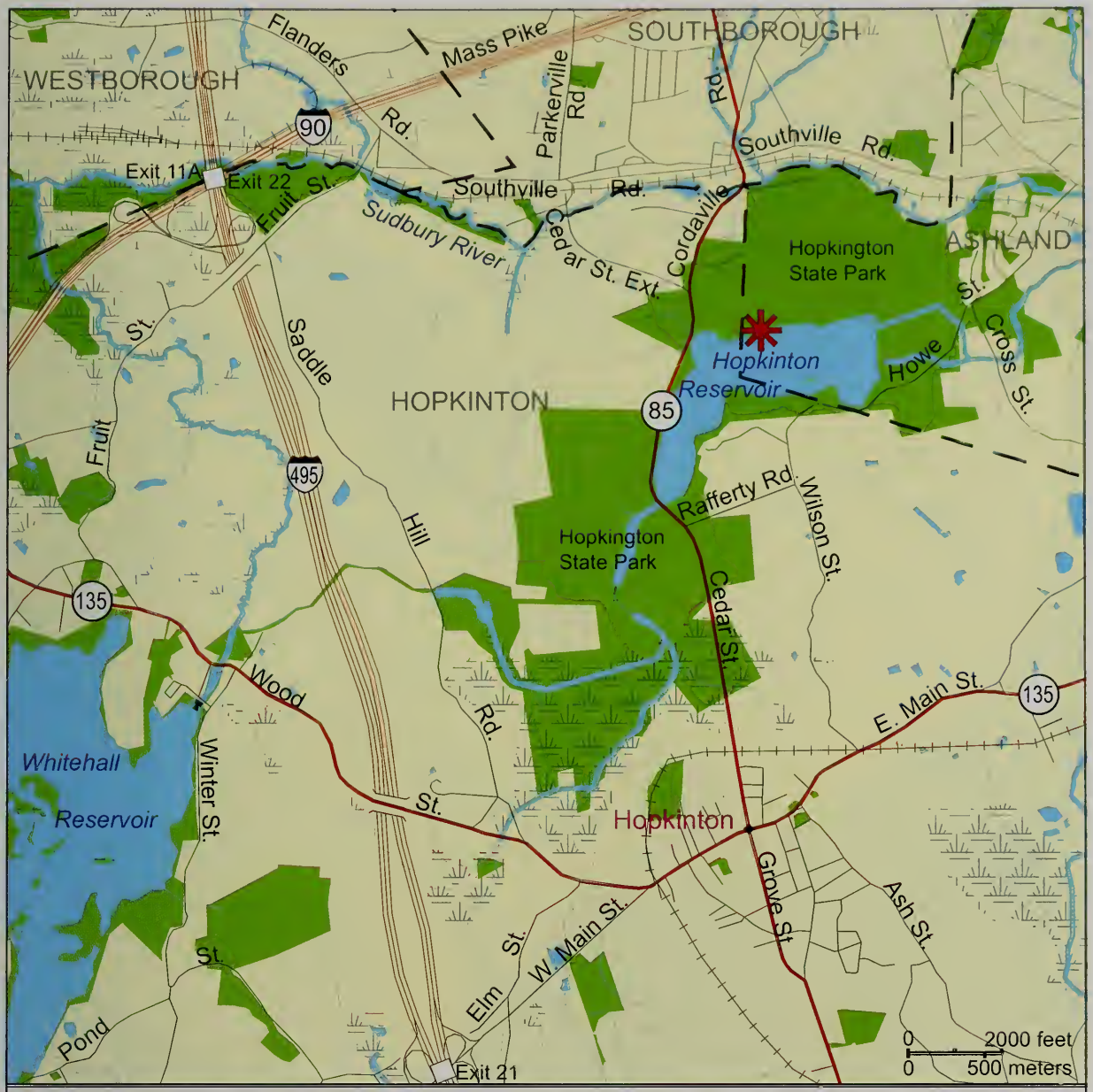
Managing Authority: **City of Woburn**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **34 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: HOPKINTON RESERVOIR
LOCATION: ASHLAND, Hopkinton State Park

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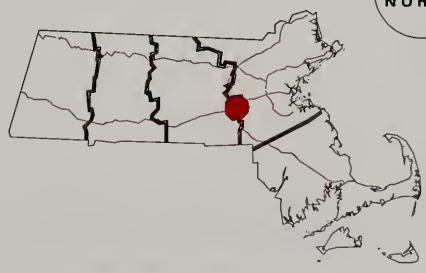

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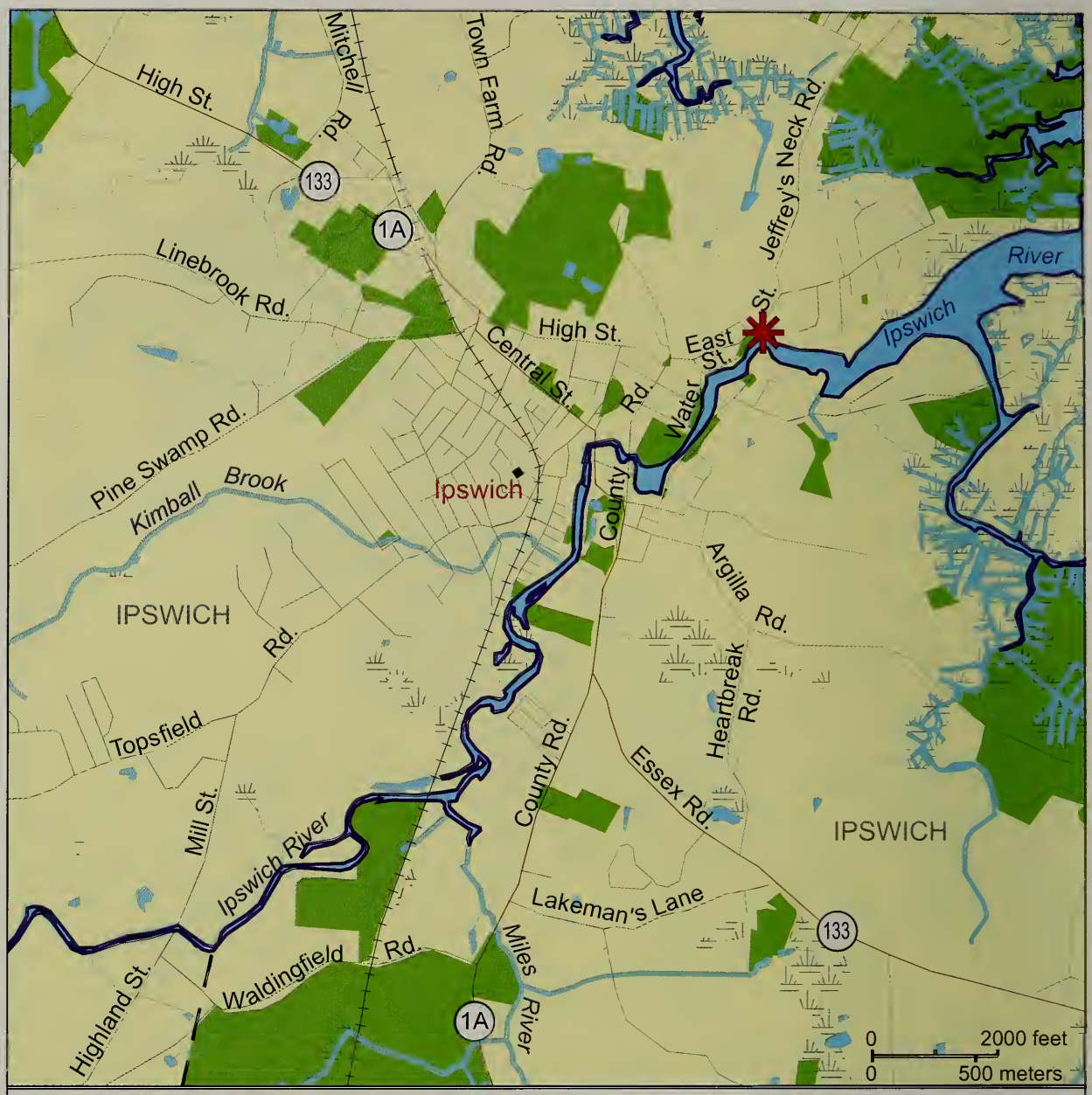
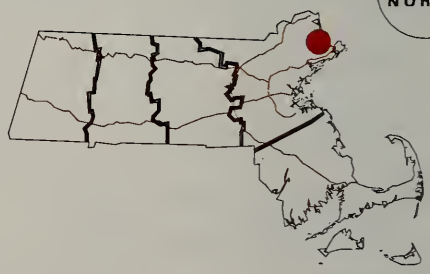
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **25 Trailers, 12 Cartop**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch**



FACILITY NAME: IPSWICH RIVER
LOCATION: IPSWICH, East St.



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Managing Authority: **Town of Ipswich**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **48 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: LYNN HARBOR
LOCATION: LYNN, Nahant Rd.

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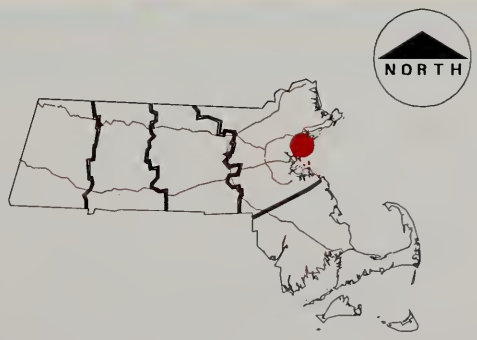
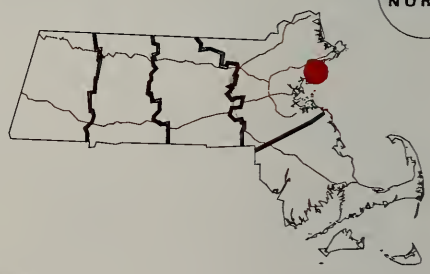


Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **37 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: MARBLEHEAD HARBOR (Riverhead Beach)
LOCATION: MARBLEHEAD, Ocean Ave.



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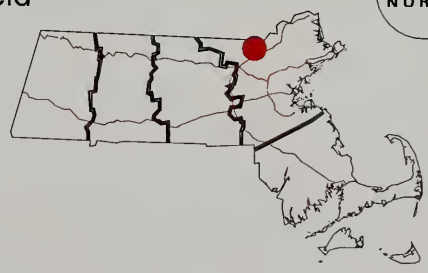
Managing Authority: **Town of Marblehead**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **25 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Cod, Flounder**

FACILITY NAME: MERRIMACK RIVER
LOCATION: CHELMSFORD, Southwell Field



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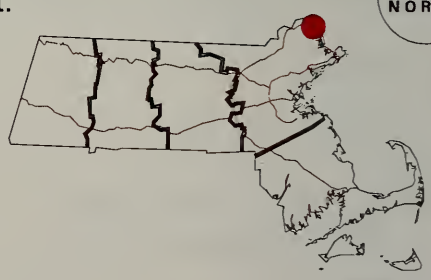
Managing Authority: **Town of Chelmsford**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern Pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye**

FACILITY NAME: MERRIMACK RIVER (Cashman Park)
LOCATION: NEWBURYPORT, Merrimack St.



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Town Boundary

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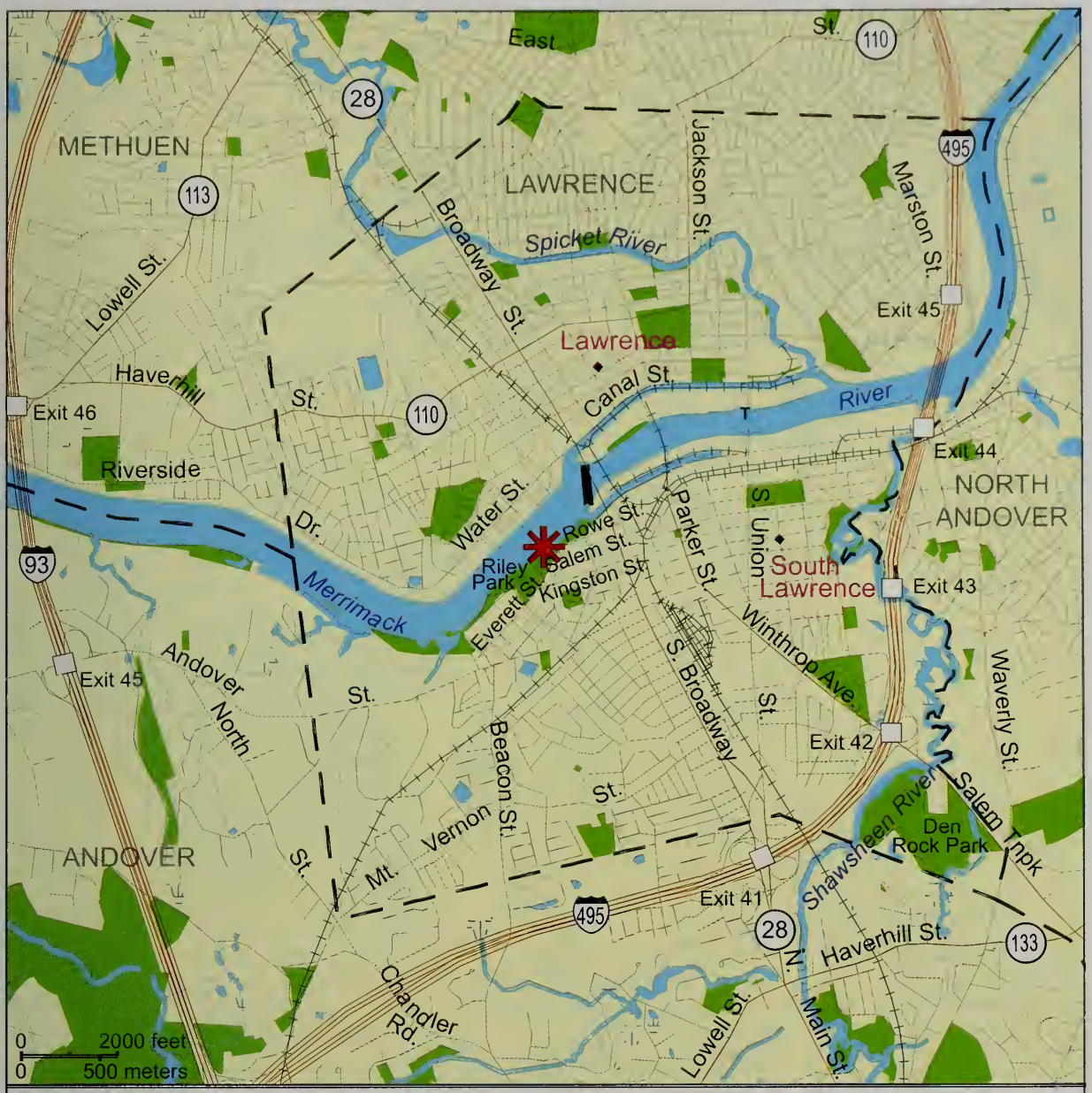
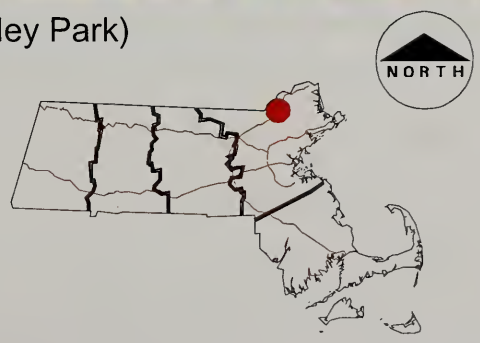
Managing Authority: **City of Newburyport**
Launching Lanes: **5**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **124 Trailers, 6 Singles**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: MERRIMACK RIVER (Riley Park)
LOCATION: LAWRENCE, Rowe St.



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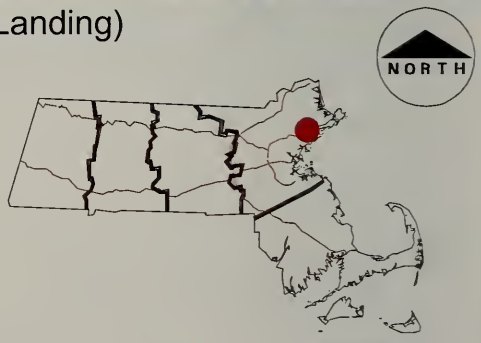
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **54 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern Pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye**

FACILITY NAME: PORTER RIVER (Pope's Landing)
LOCATION: DANVERS, Harbor St.



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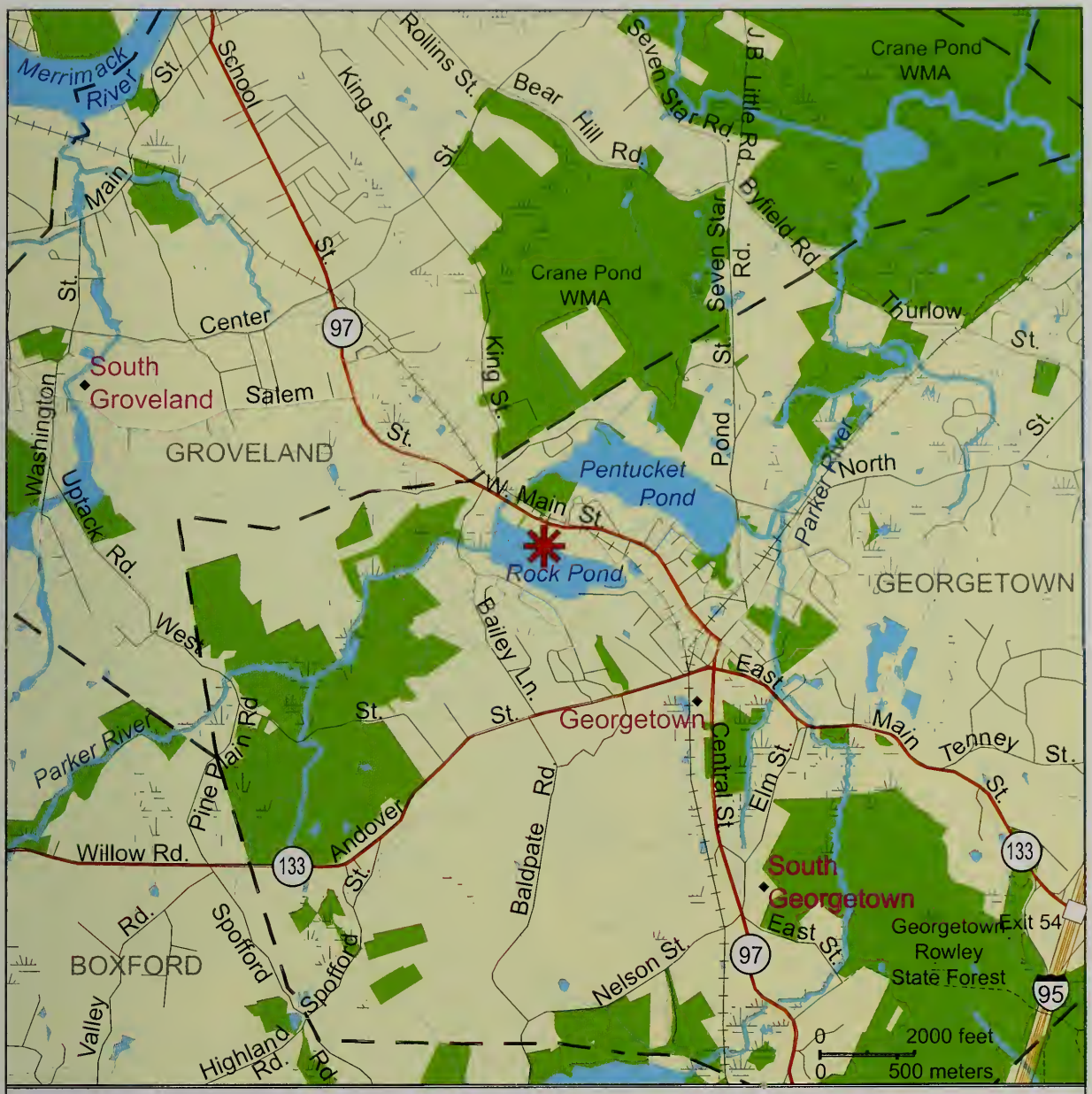
Managing Authority: **Town of Danvers**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **64 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Cod, Flounder**



FACILITY NAME: ROCK POND
LOCATION: GEORGETOWN, Route 97

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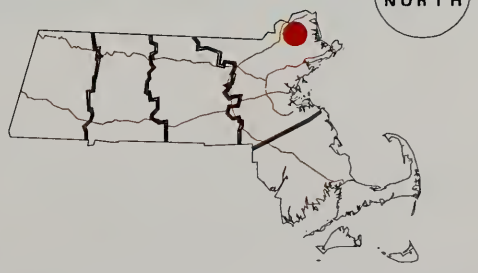
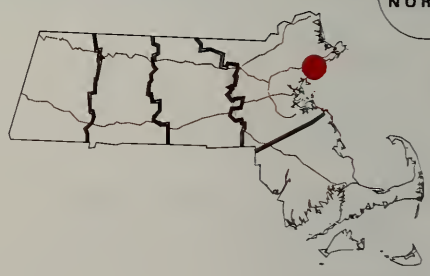


Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: SALEM HARBOR (Winter Island)
LOCATION: SALEM, Winter Island Park



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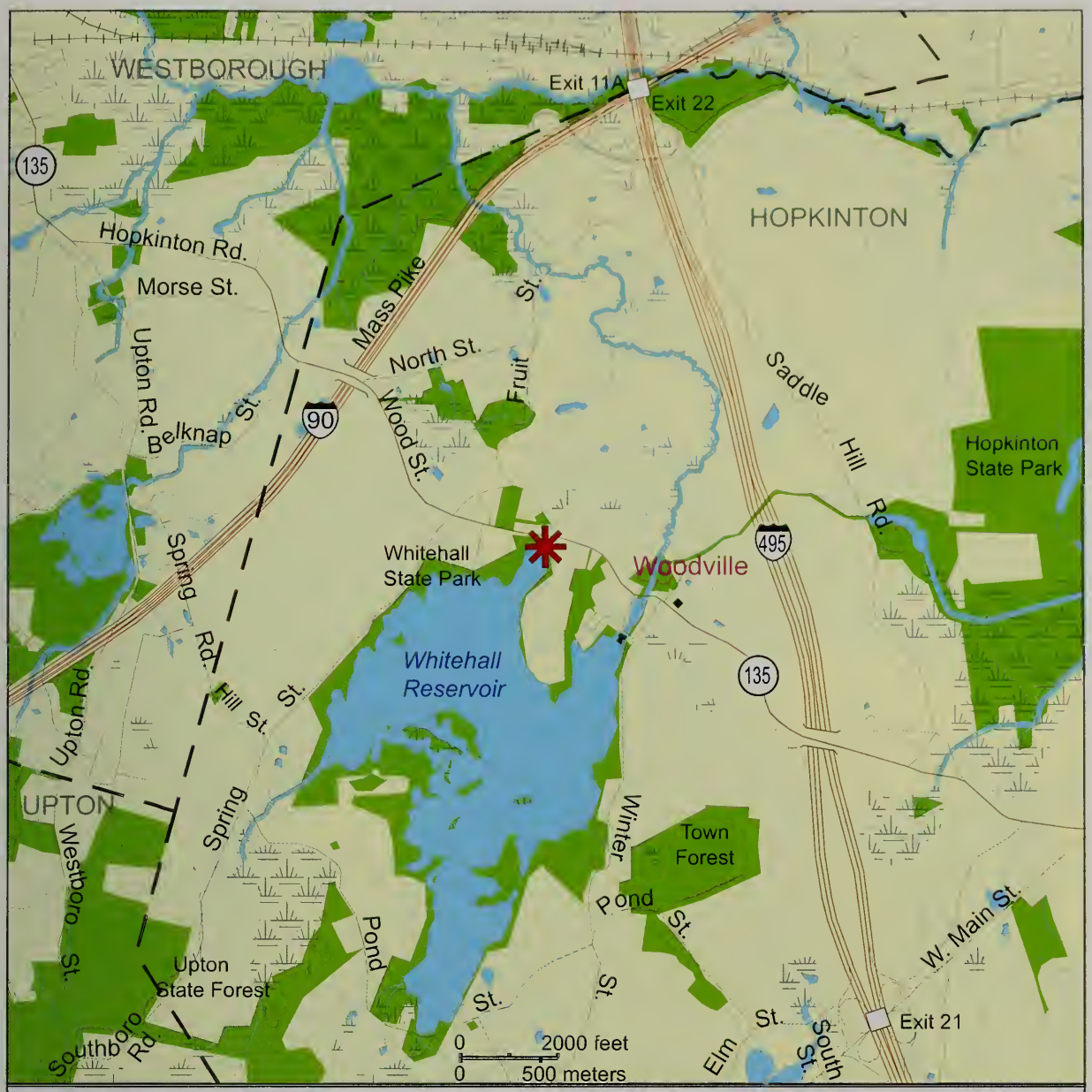
Managing Authority: **City of Salem**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **45 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**



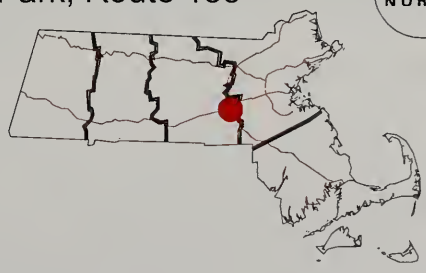
FACILITY NAME: WHITEHALL RESERVOIR
LOCATION: HOPKINTON, Whitehall State Park, Route 135

NORTH

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

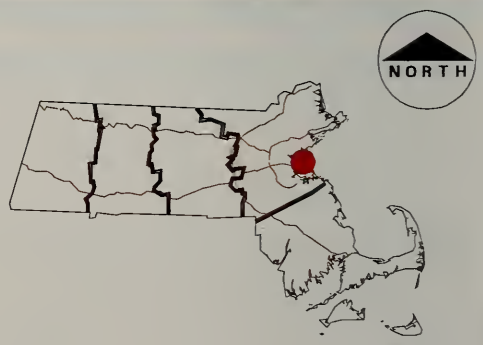
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: WINTHROP HARBOR
LOCATION: WINTHROP, Shirley St,

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **Town of Winthrop**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **92 Trailers, 50 Singles**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod, Flounder**

Northeast Wildlife District
Additional PAB Coastal and Inland Access Sites

(Alphabetically by Facility Name – * Indicates Coastal Access)

ANNISQUAM RIVER (Corliss Landing)* (129)
Location: **Gloucester, Apple St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Gloucester**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Flounder**

ASHLAND RESERVOIR (66)
Location: **Ashland, Spring St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Black crappie**

ASSABET RIVER (146)
Location: **Hudson, Chapin Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Hudson**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

BADDACOOK POND (61)
Location: **Groton, Martins Pond Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

CHARLES RIVER, (Elm Bank) (140)
Location: **Dover, Route 16**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

CHARLES RIVER (141)
Location: **Needham, Fisher St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LAKE COCHITUTATE (174)
Location: **Wayland, Route 30**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FARM POND (161)
Location: **Framinham, Mt. Wayte Ave.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Framingham**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

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FORT MEADOW RESERVOIR (192)
Location: **Marlborough, Route 85**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **City of Marlborough**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

HOOD POND (80)
Location: **Ipswich, Boxford Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

HOPKINTON RESERVOIR (160)
Location: **Hopkinton, Rafferty Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch**

IPSWICH RIVER (170)
Location: **North Reading, Central St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of No. Reading**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

JONES RIVER (Long Wharf)* (131)
Location: **Gloucester, Atlantic St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Gloucester**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Flounder**

KNOPPS POND (61)
Location: **Groton, Lost Lake Dr.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

LANES COVE* (130)
Location: **Gloucester, Dudley St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Gloucester**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Bluefish, Cod**

LONG POND (162)
Location: **Littleton, Meadowbrook Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers, 7 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Littleton**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LONG SOUGHT FOR POND (136)
Location: **Westford, Route 40**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

MASCUPPIC LAKE (72)
Location: **Dracut, Tyngsboro Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **4 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

MERRIMACK RIVER (Riverside Park) (145)
Location: **Haverhill, Routes 113 & 97**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Haverhill**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye**

MYSTIC LAKE (Upper) (169)
Location: **Medford, Mystic Valley Parkway**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **12 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

NORTH POND (65)
Location: **Hopkinton, W. Main St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
perch, Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White Pickerel, Black crappie**

PARKER RIVER* (77)
Location: **Newbury, Route 1**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type**: Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Striped bass, Flounder**

LAKE PENTUCKET (167)
Location: **Haverhill, Stanley Dr.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **City of Haverhill**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

LAKE PENTUCKET SHOREFISHING AREA (184)
Location: **Haverhill, Stanley Dr. & Concord St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **City of Haverhill**
Facility Type: **Shorefishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

PONKAPOAG POND (138)
Location: **Canton, Randolph St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LAKE SALTONSTALL (168)
Location: **Haverhill, Mill St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **12 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Haverhill**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

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SUDBURY RIVER (181)
Location: **Framingham, Kellogg St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Framingham**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

WALDEN POND (69)
Location: **Concord, Route 126**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: Trout, **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

WHITE POND (70)
Location: **Concord, Plainfield Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

LAKE WINTHROP (67)
Location: **Holliston, Pleasure Point Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Holliston**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LAKE WINTHROP SHOREFISHING AREA (183)
Location: **Holliston, Cabot Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Holliston**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

Lane's Cove, Gloucester, as viewed from the Town Landing, adjacent to the PAB boat ramp (page 88). This facility provides access to Ipswich and Essex Bays as well as to the Atlantic Ocean.

PAB Shorefishing/Canoe access facility at Ipswich River Park, North Reading (page 88).

PAB/City of Newburyport boat ramp on the Merrimack River at Cashman Park (page 80). This facility offers access to the lower Merrimack River and the Plum Island area. Photo by Jack Sheppard.

CENTRAL WILDLIFE DISTRICT

ACCESS SITES

Red Text indicates mapped sites.

0 10 20 25 Miles

0 10 20 30 40 Kilometers

Central Wildlife District Access Sites

(Sorted Numerically by PAB #)

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48	Asnacomet Pond	Hubbardston	94
49	Moosehorn Pond	Hubbardston	106
50	Webster Lake	Webster	107
51	Wallum Lake	Douglas	105
52	Manchaug Pond	Sutton	99
53	Singletary Pond	Millbury	104
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Boat Ramp at Long Pond in Sturbridge, part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' East Brimfield Reservoir flood control facility (page 10). This site offers a convenient take-out for the Quinebaug River Canoe Trail, a five mile flatwater paddle beginning at the outlet of Holland Pond.

FACILITY NAME: ASNACOMET POND

LOCATION: HUBBARDSTON, Rte. 62 (Old Boston Tnpk/Clark Rd.)

NORTH

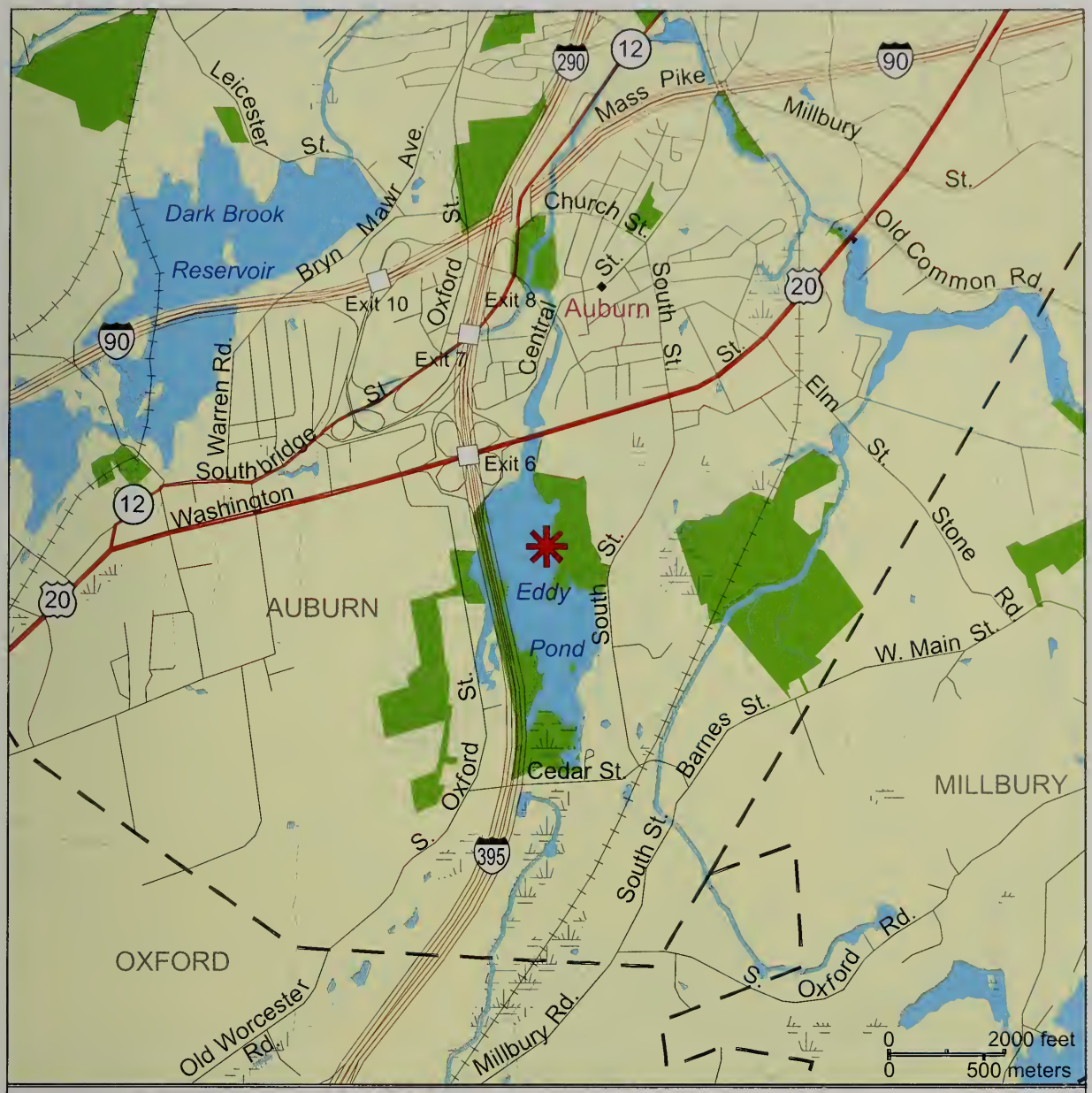
Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **M.D.C.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **38 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

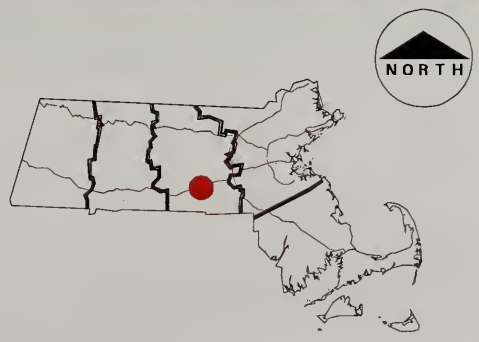


FACILITY NAME: EDDY POND
LOCATION: AUBURN, South St.

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **Town of Auburn**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**

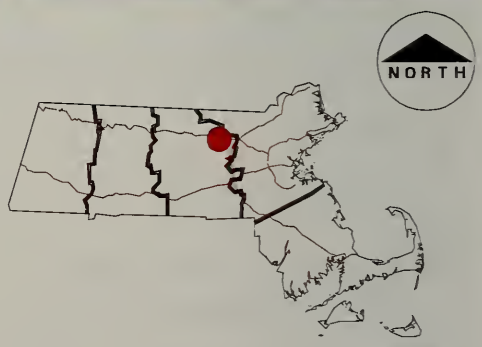
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: FORT POND
LOCATION: LANCASTER, Fort Pond Rd.

Access Point

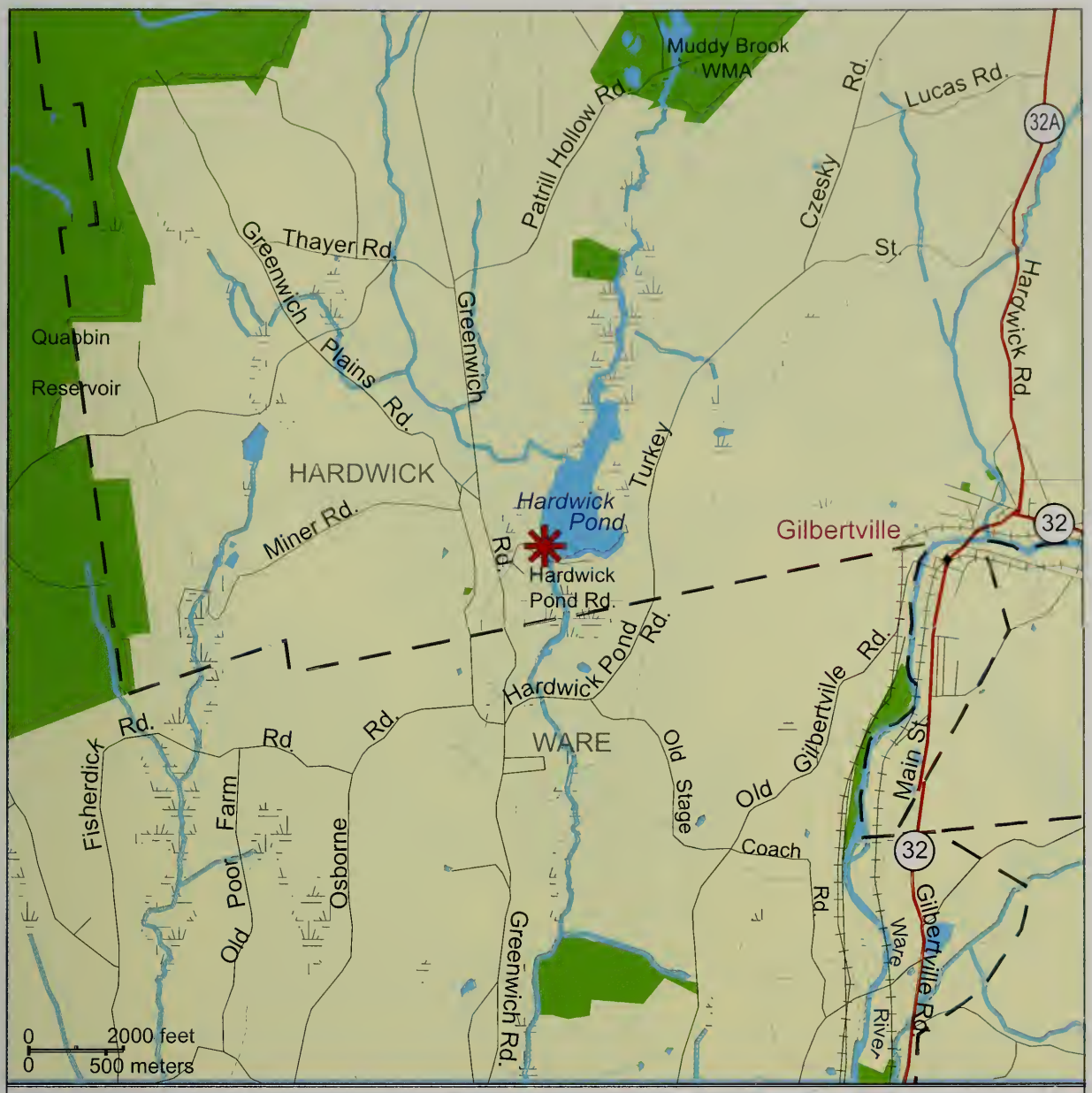
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

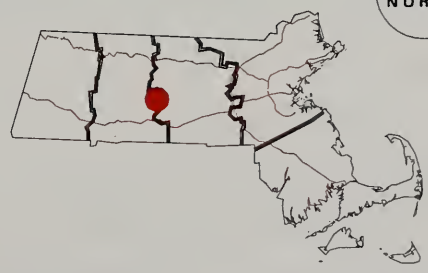


Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **3 Trailers, 4 Cartop**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**



FACILITY NAME: HARDWICK POND
LOCATION: HARDWICK, Hardwick Pond Rd.



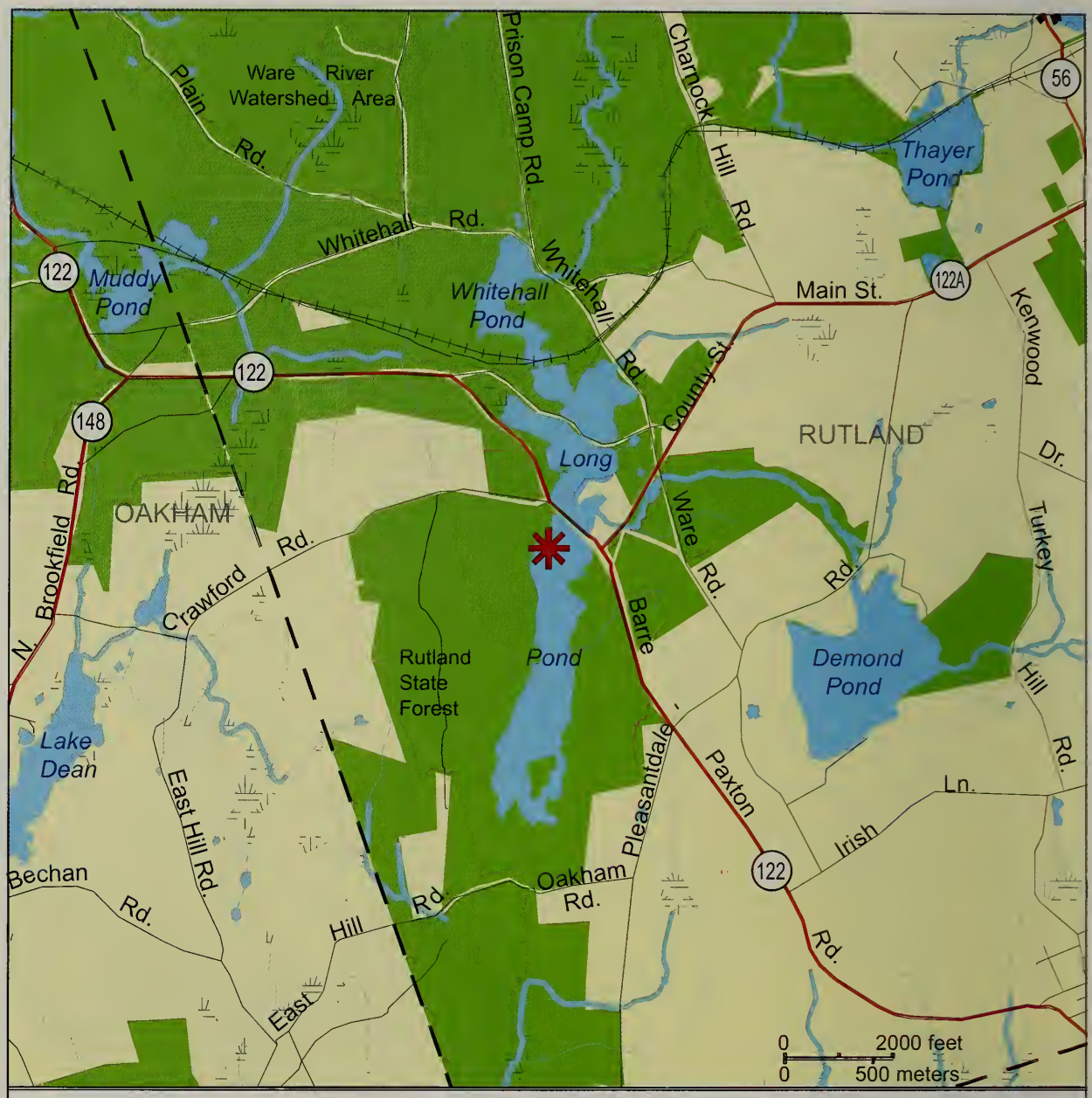
Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **Town of Hardwick**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **9 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

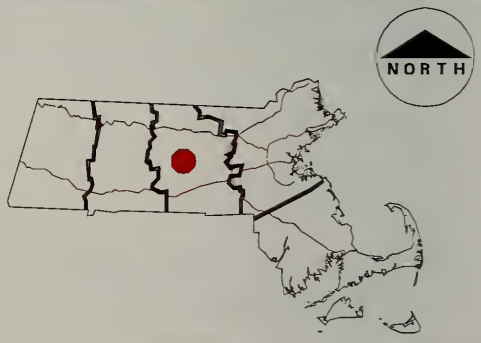


FACILITY NAME: LONG POND
LOCATION: RUTLAND, Route 122

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **40 Trailers**

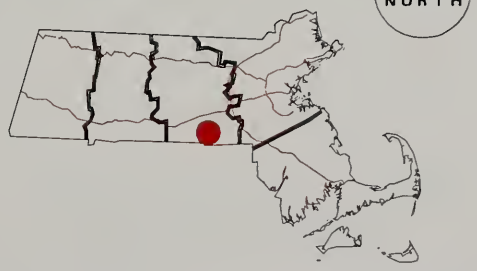
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: MANCHAUG POND
LOCATION: SUTTON, Torrey Rd.

Access Point

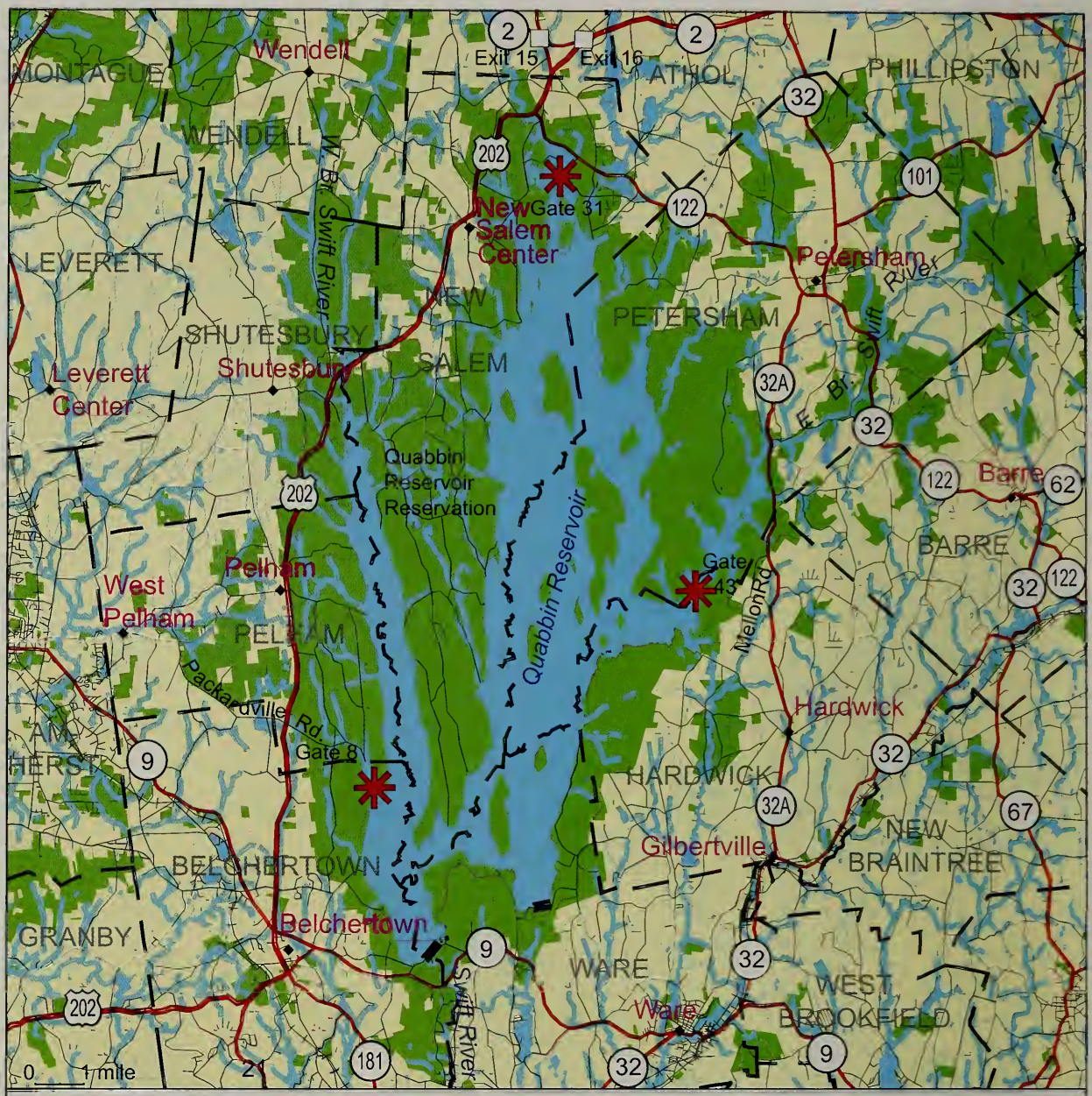
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **Town of Sutton**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **28 Trailers, 10 Cartop**

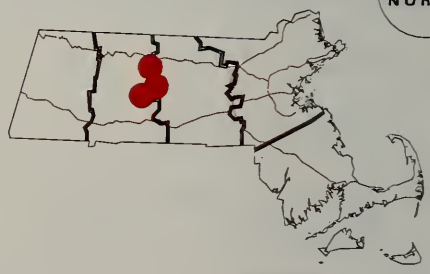
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: QUABBIN RESERVOIR: Hardwick

LOCATION:Route 202, Gate 8; Route 32A, Gate 43; Route 122, Gate 31

NORTH



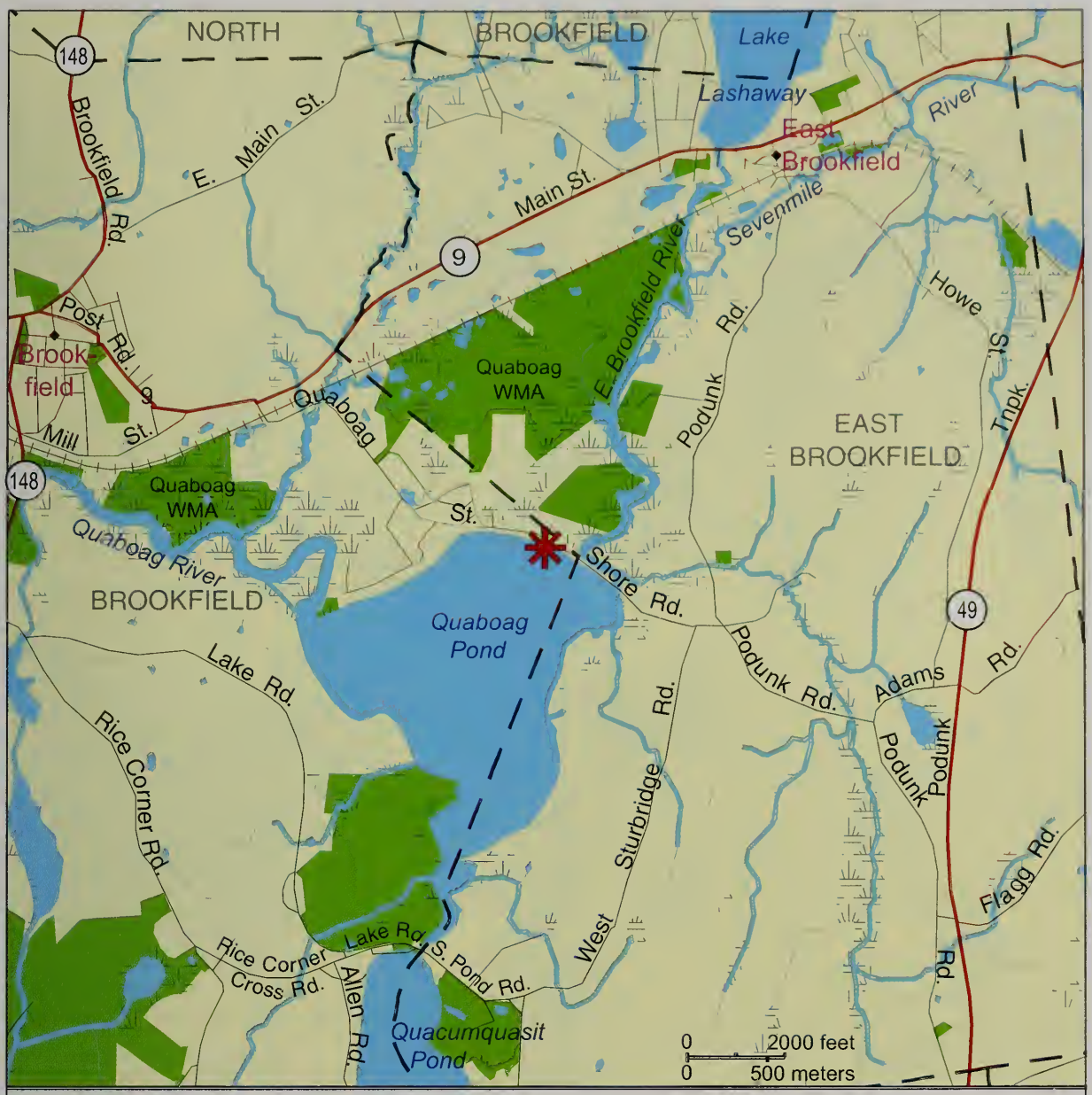
Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **M.D.C**
Launching Lanes: **Varies**
Ramp Type: **Concrete or Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **Varies**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

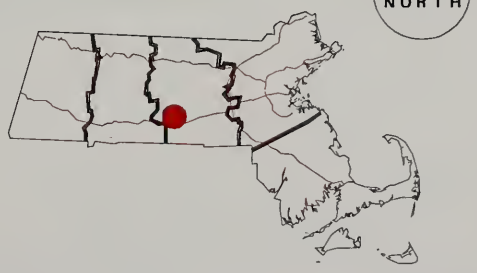


FACILITY NAME: QUABOAG POND
LOCATION: BROOKFIELD, Quaboag St.

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **Town of Brookfield**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **31 Trailers, 7 Cartop**

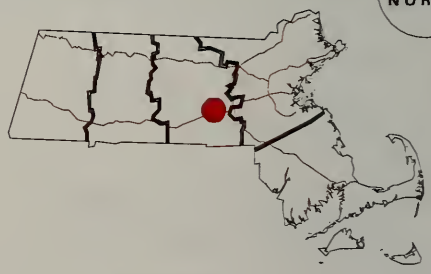
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: LAKE QUINSIGAMOND (Flint Pond)
LOCATION: SHREWSBURY, Route 20

Access Point

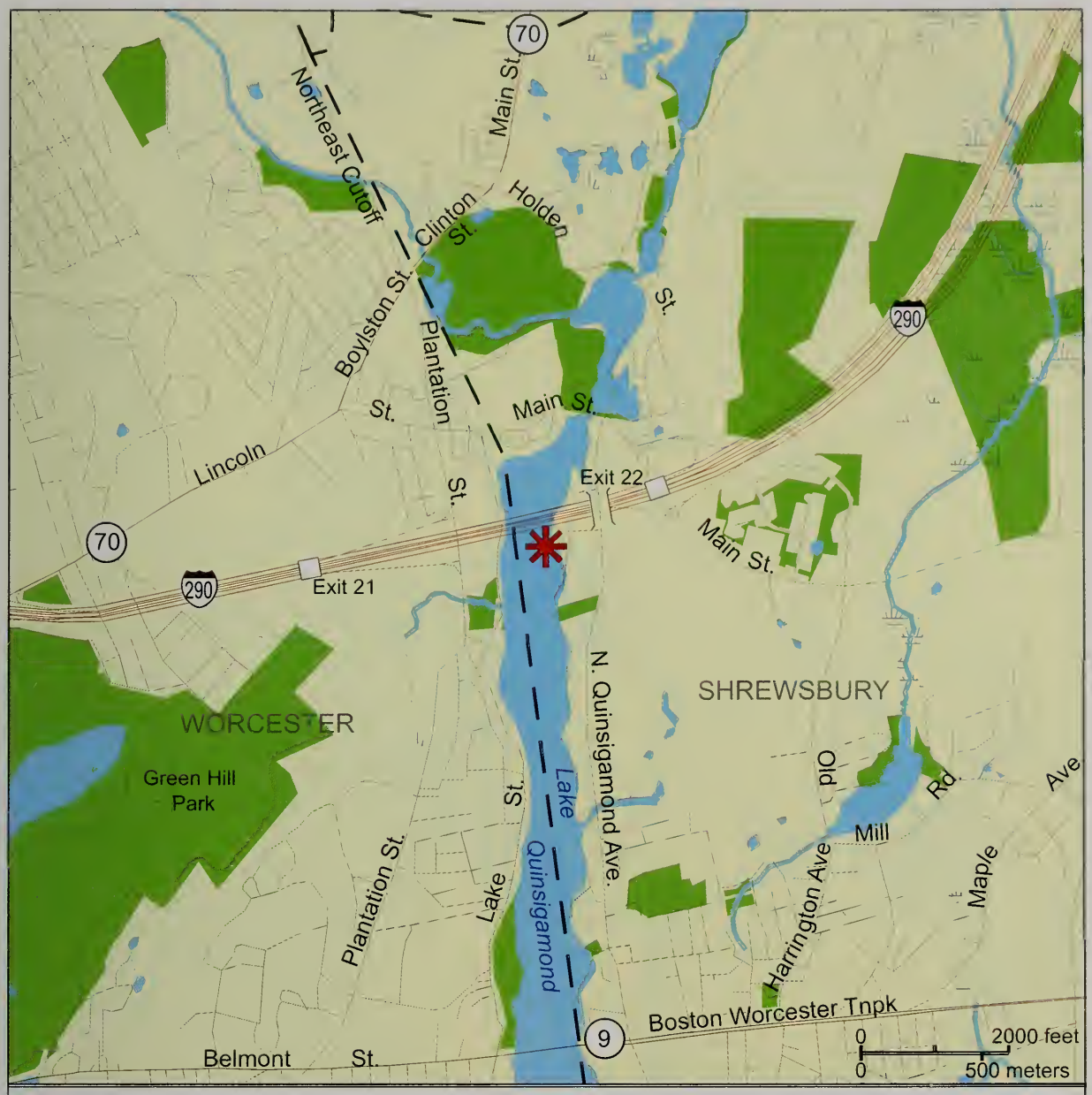
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

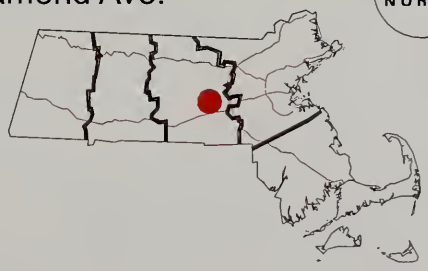


Managing Authority: **Town of Shrewsbury**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **50 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern Pike, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel**



FACILITY NAME: LAKE QUINSIGAMOND
LOCATION: SHREWSBURY, North Quinsigamond Ave.



Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **Town of Shrewsbury**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **53 Trailers, 15 Cartop**

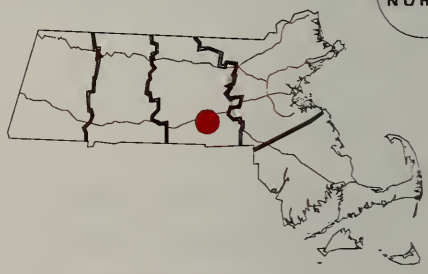
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern Pike, Tiger muskee, White perch, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: SINGLETARY POND
LOCATION: MILLBURY, West Main St.

Access Point

Town Boundary

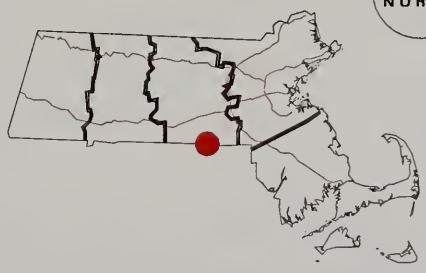
Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **15 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

FACILITY NAME: WALLUM LAKE
LOCATION: DOUGLAS, Douglas State Forest



Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **3**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

Central Wildlife District
Additional PAB Access Sites

(Alphabetically by Facility Name)

ALUM POND (44)
Location: **Sturbridge, Clark Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Sturbridge**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth Bass, Pickerel**

BARTLETT POND (124)
Location: **Northborough, Lyman St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Northborough**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

BLACKSTONE RIVER (143)
Location: **Northbridge, Church St. Ext.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LAKE CHAUNCY (60)
Location: **Westborough, Oak St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, Pickerel, Black crappie**

LAKE DENNISON (43)
Location: **Winchendon, Royalston Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Black crappie, Pickerel, White perch**

INDIAN LAKE (150)
Location: **Worcester, Route 122A**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **7 Trailers, 13 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **City of Worcester**
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Black crappie**

LITTLE CHAUNCY POND (59)
Location: **Northborough, Lyman St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **3 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

MOOSEHORN POND (49)
Location: **Hubbardston, E. Hubbardston Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

SOUTH POND (142)
Location: **Brookfield, Lake Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern Pike, Pickerel, White perch, Black crappie**

SUGDEN RESERVOIR (46)
Location: **Spencer, Donnelley Cross Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, White perch, Black crappie**

WARE RIVER (188)
Location: **Hardwick, Rte. 32 at Hardwick Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **7 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Hardwick**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, White perch, Black crappie**

WARE RIVER (187)
Location: **Hardwick, Rte 32. at North St.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Hardwick**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, White perch, Black crappie**

WARE RIVER (East Branch) (47)
Location: **Rutland, River Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel White perch, Black crappie**

WEBSTER LAKE (50)
Location: **Webster, Lakeside Ave.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **18 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, Pickerel, White perch, Black crappie**

WHALOM LAKE (58)
Location: **Leominster, Main St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **9 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **City of Leominster**
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

WICKABOAG POND (157)
Location: **West Brookfield, Lakeview Ave.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of W. Brookfield**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

CONNECTICUT VALLEY WILDLIFE DISTRICT

ACCESS SITES

Connecticut Valley Wildlife District Access Sites

(Sorted Numerically by PAB #)

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29	Pequot Pond	Westfield	120
31	Connecticut River (Melina St.)	Chicopee	112
32	Connecticut River (Oxbow)	Easthampton	113
33	Connecticut River	Hatfield	119
34	Connecticut River (Bartons Cove)	Gill	114
35	Connecticut River	Northfield	115
36	Five Mile Pond	Springfield	116
37	Swift River	Belchertown	118
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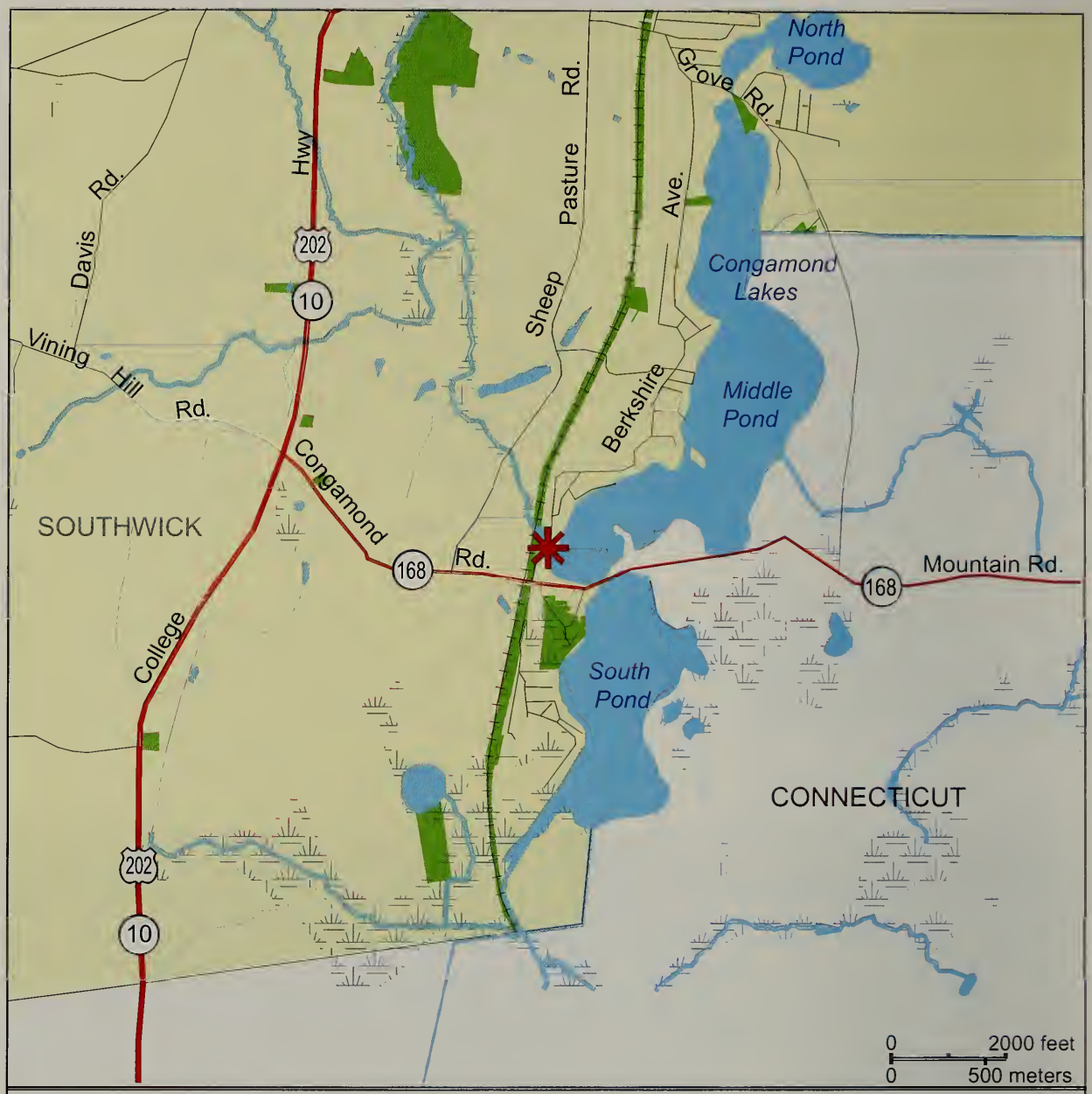
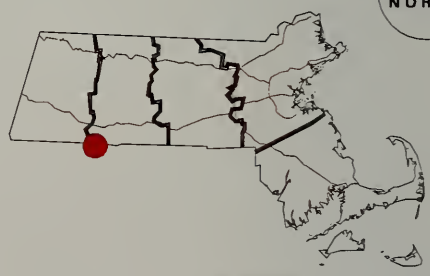
123	Quabbin Reservoir	New Salem	117
127	Chicopee River	Wilbraham	119
128	Chicopee River (Red Bridge Landing)	Wilbraham	119
151	Laurel Lake	Erving	120
153	Millers River	Orange	120
173	Cranberry Pond	Sunderland	119
179	Lake Rohunta	Orange	120
189	Connecticut River (Syrek St.)	Chicopee	119
197	Hamilton Reservoir	Holland	119
	Hamilton Reservoir Sportfishing Pier	Holland	119

Fishermen using the PAB/Town of Sunderland access point on Cranberry Pond (page 119).



FACILITY NAME: CONGAMOND LAKES (South Ramp)
LOCATION: SOUTHWICK, Berkshire Ave.



Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **Town of Southwick**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **18 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: CONGAMOND LAKE (North Ramp)
LOCATION: SOUTHWICK, Grove Rd.

Access Point

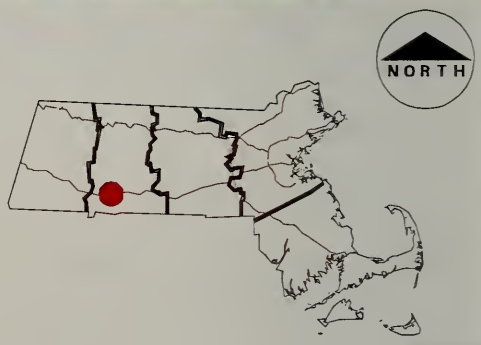
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **Town of Southwick**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers, 10 Cartop**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: CONNECTICUT RIVER
LOCATION: CHICOPEE, Medina St.



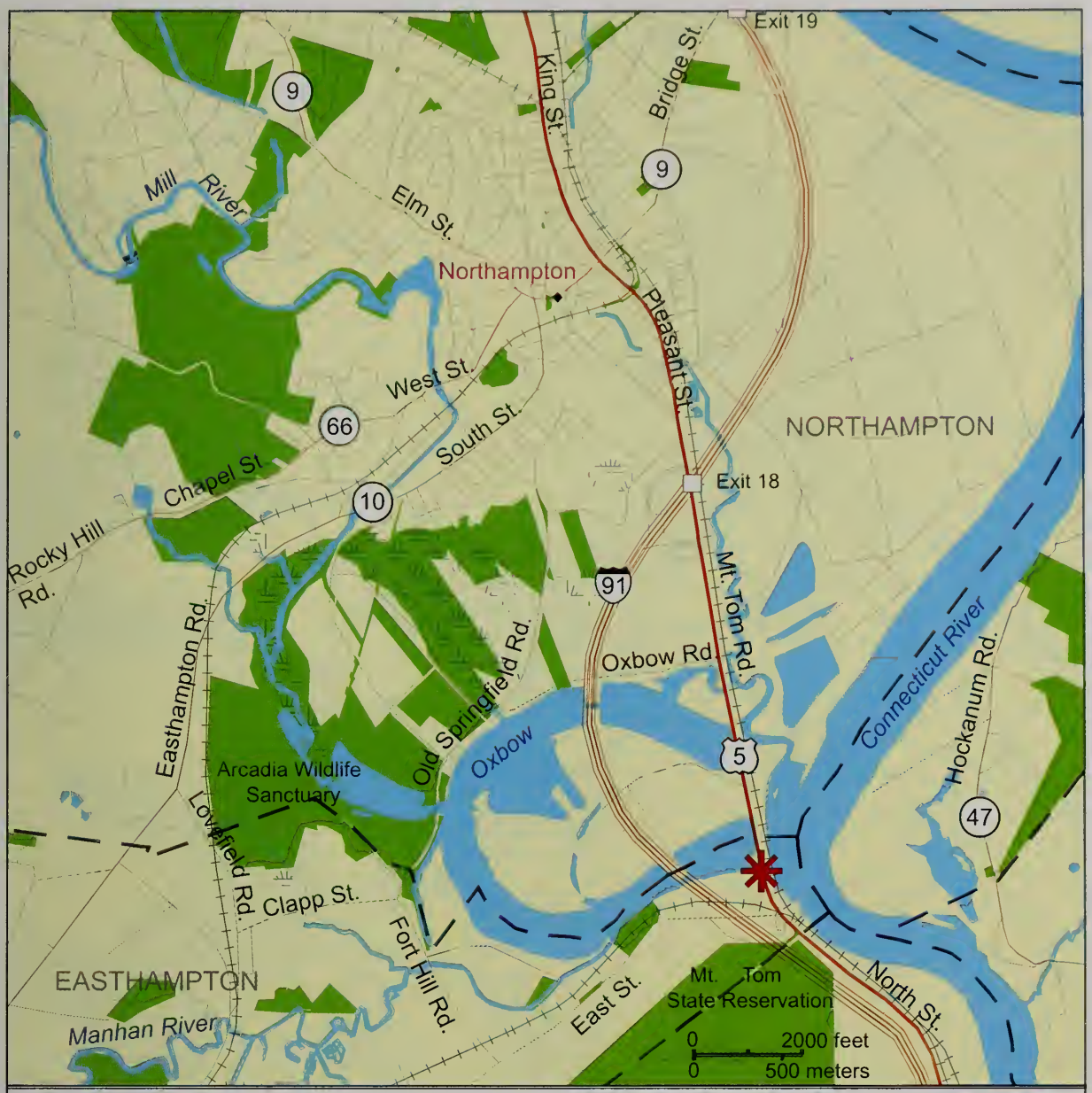
Access Point

Town Boundary

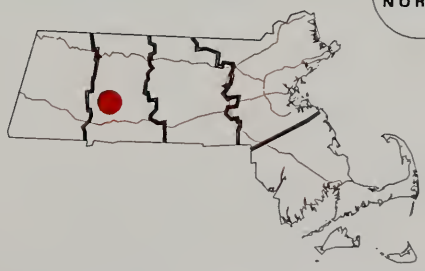
Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **32 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**



FACILITY NAME: CONNECTICUT RIVER, (Oxbow)
LOCATION: EASTHAMPTON, Route 5



Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **32 Trailers**

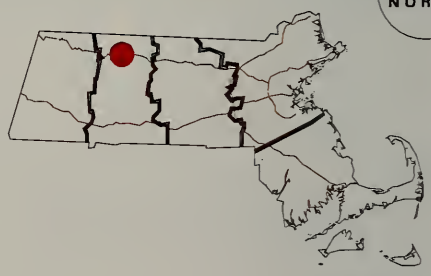
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**

FACILITY NAME: CONNECTICUT RIVER (Barton Cove)
LOCATION: GILL, Route 2

Access Point

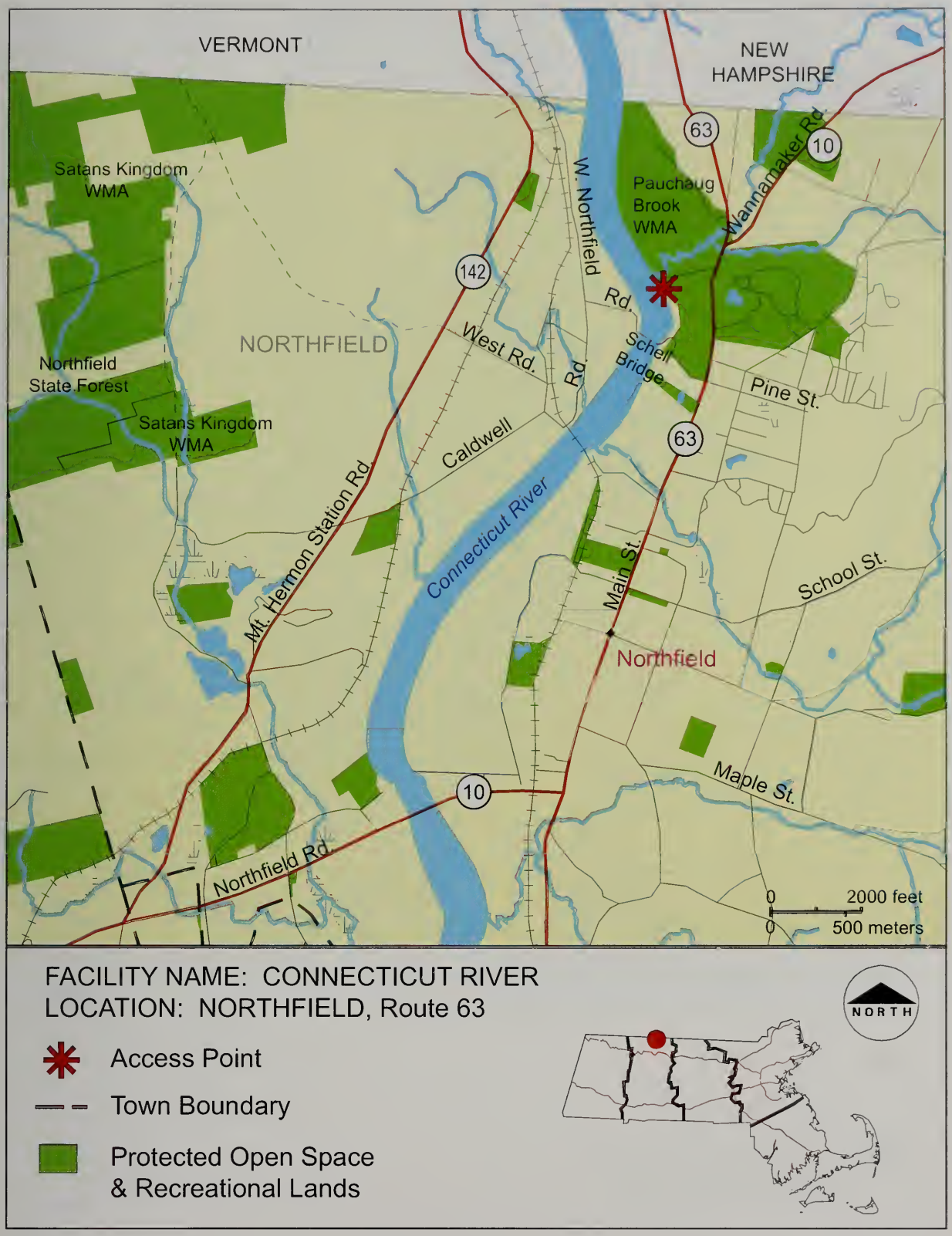
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



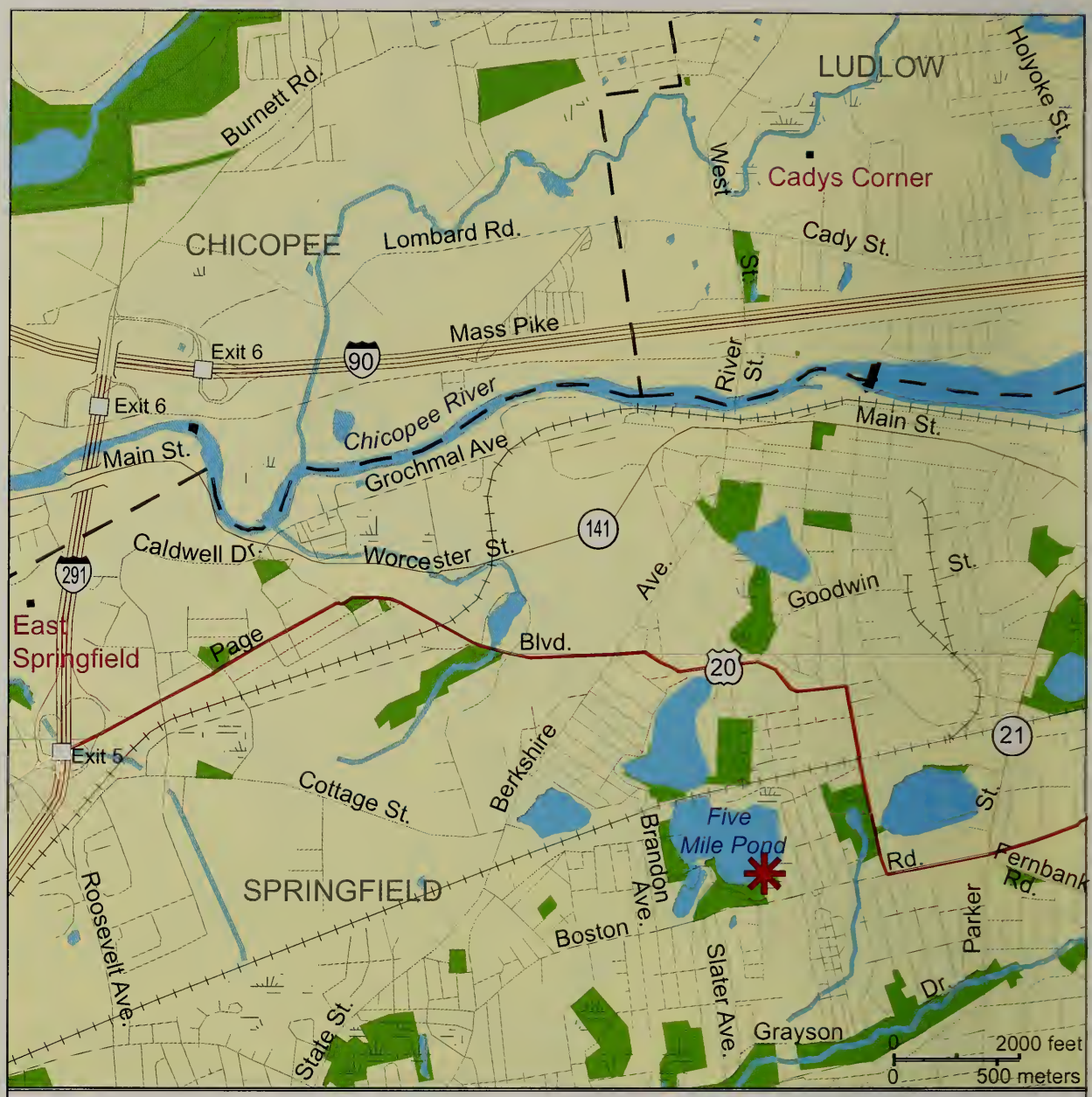
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **45 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**

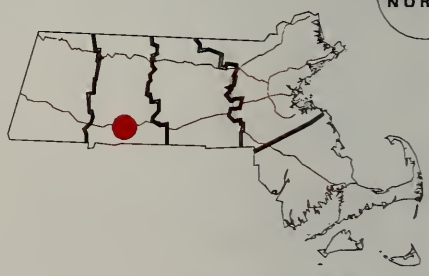


Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **32 Trailers**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**



FACILITY NAME: FIVE MILE POND
LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD, Boston Rd.



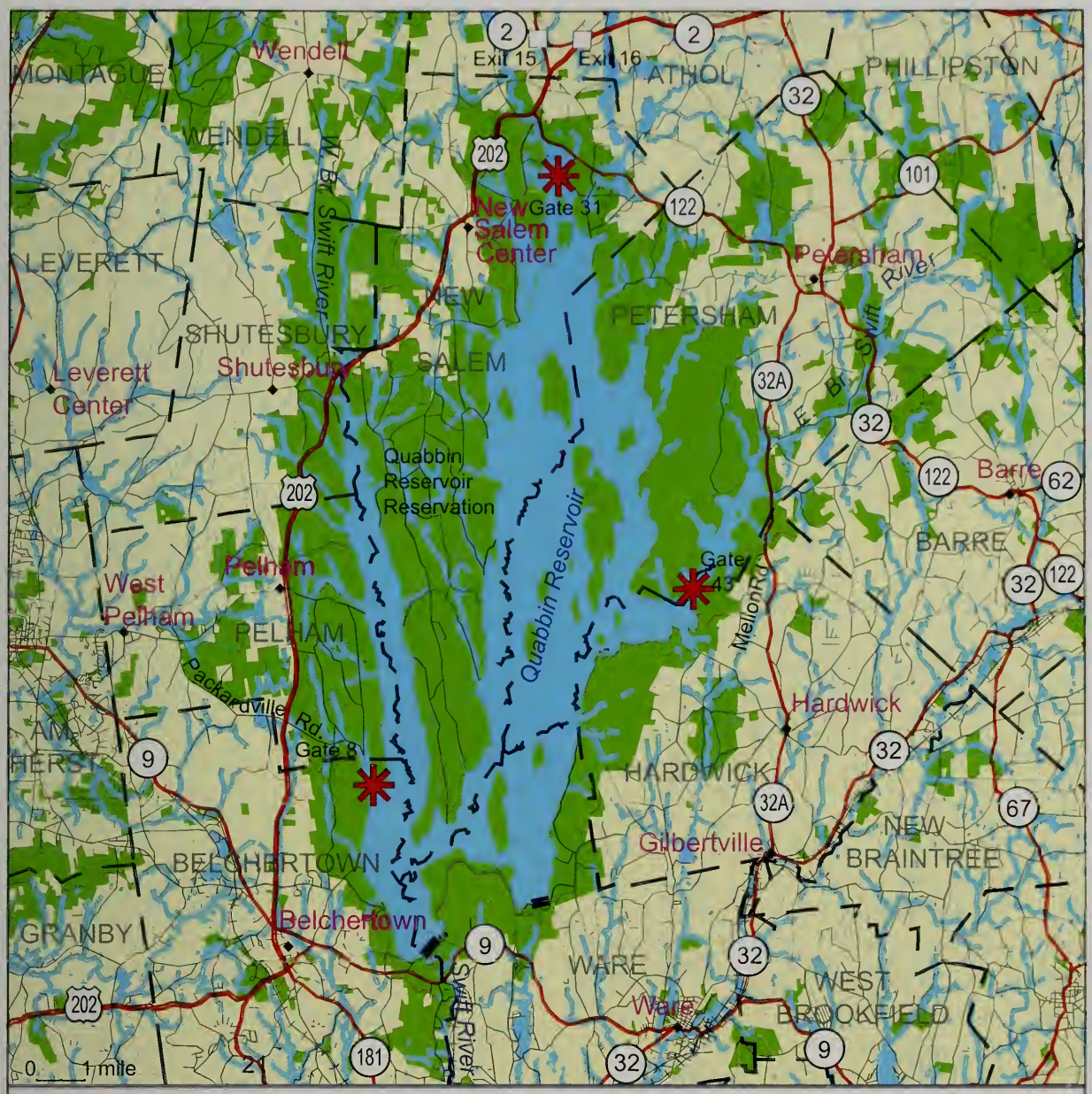
✱ Access Point

— – Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Land

Managing Authority: **City of Springfield**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **12 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**



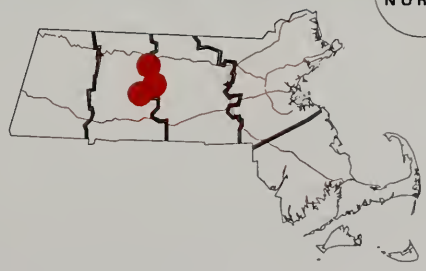
FACILITY NAME: QUABBIN RESERVOIR: Belchertown, New Salem
LOCATION:Route 202, Gate 8; Route 32A, Gate 43; Route 122, Gate 31

NORTH

Access Point

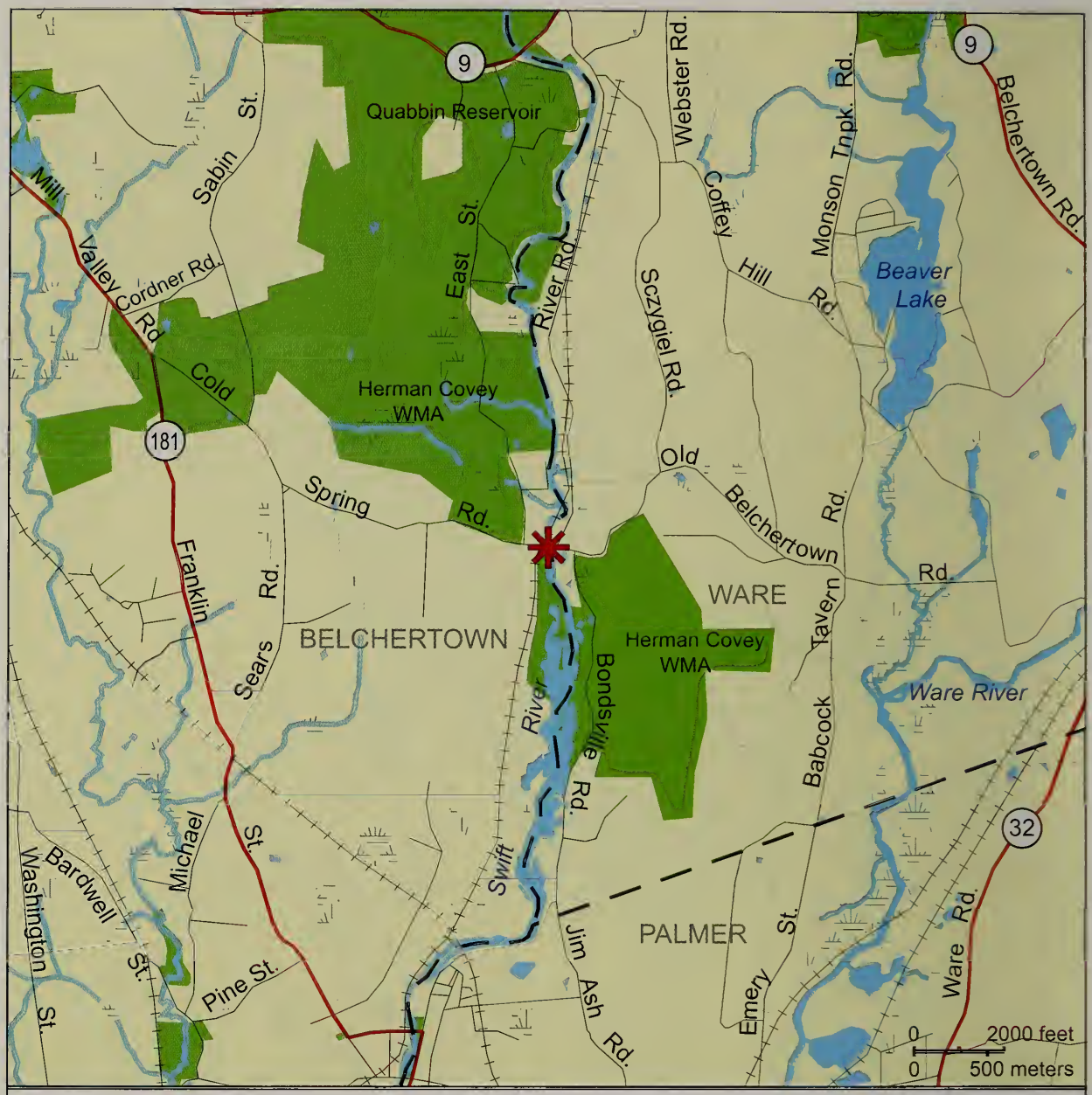
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **M.D.C**
Launching Lanes: **Varies**
Ramp Type**: Concrete or Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces**: Varies**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

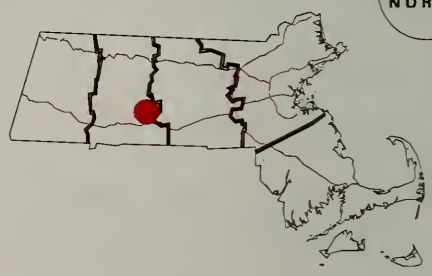


FACILITY NAME: SWIFT RIVER
LOCATION: BELCHERTOWN, Spring Rd.

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **20 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

Connecticut Valley Wildlife District
Additional PAB Access Sites

(Alphabetically by Facility Name)

CHICOPEE RIVER (127)
Location: **Wilbraham, Red Bridge Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern Pike, White perch, Black crappie**

CHICOPEE RIVER (Red Bridge Landing) (128)
Location: **Wilbraham, Red Bridge Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: Bit. **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **4 Trailers, 2 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

CONNECTICUT RIVER (189)
Location: **Chicopee, Syrek St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**

CONNECTICUT RIVER (33)
Location: **Hatfield, Main Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie, Walleye, Shad**

CRANBERRY POND (173)
Location: **Sunderland, Reservation Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Sunderland**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

HAMILTON RESERVOIR (197)
Location: **Holland, Leno Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **12 Trailers, 10 single**
Managing Authority: **Town of Holland**
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

HAMILTON RESERVOIR SPORTFISHING PIER
Location: **Holland, Leno Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **Town of Holland**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

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LAUREL LAKE (151)
Location: **Erving, Erving State Forest**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

MILLERS RIVER (153)
Location: **Orange, E. River St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete** Pad
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **Town of Orange**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern pike, Pickerel, Black crappie**

PEQUOT POND (29)
Location: **Westfield, Hampton Ponds SP**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **15 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Tiger muskee, White Perch, Pickerel**

LAKE ROHUNTA (179)
Location: **Orange, Eagleville Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers, 4 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

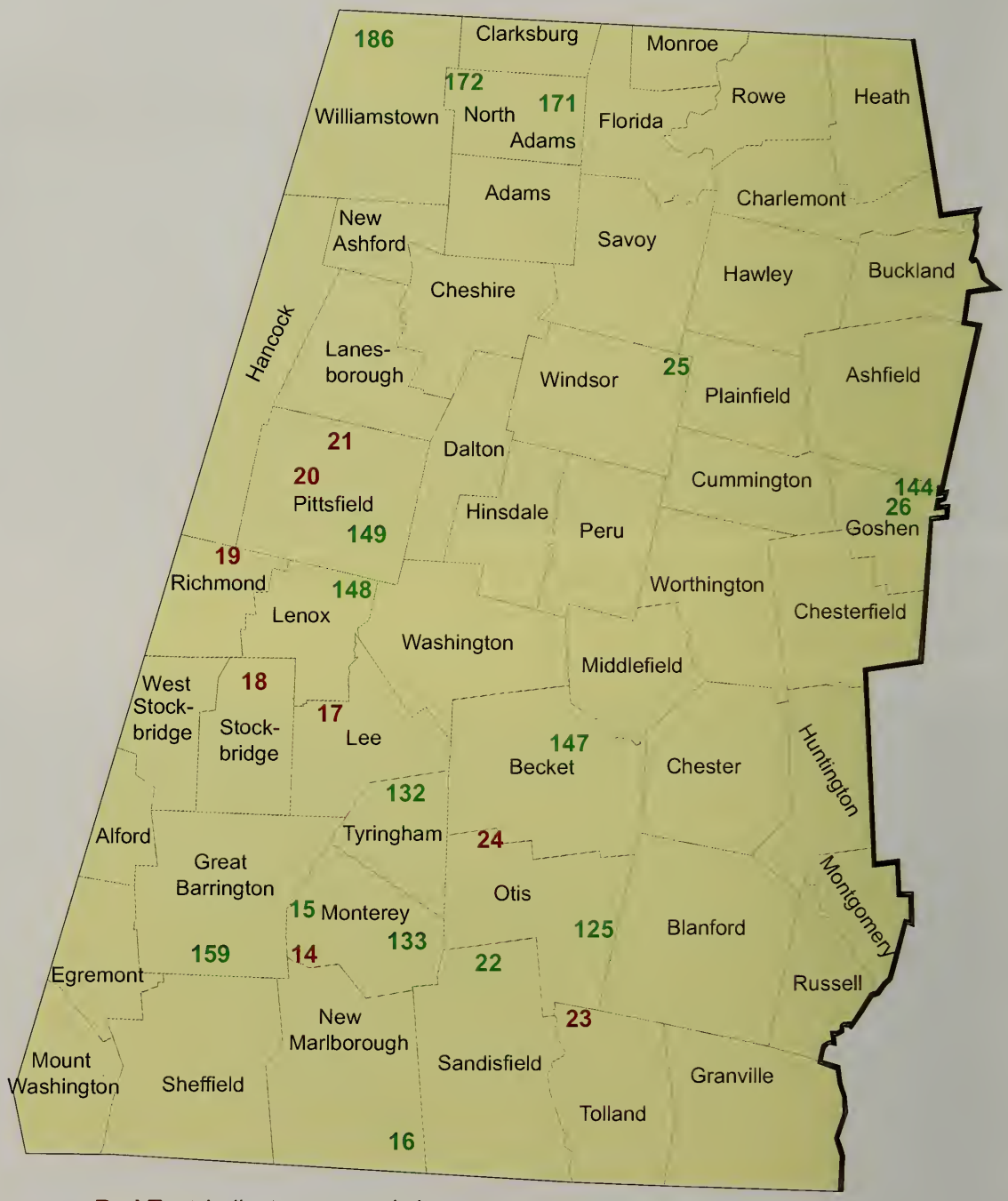
LAKE ROHUNTA FISHING PLATFORM
Location: **Orange, Eagleville Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

Boat Ramp/Fishing Pier at the PAB's Lake Rohunta access point (see above), located just off Routes 2 and 202 in Orange.

PAB/Town of Southwick boat ramp at the northern end of the Congamond Lakes (page 111).

PAB/DEM boat ramp at Otis Reservoir (page 127), located adjacent to the camping area at Tolland State Forest.

WESTERN WILDLIFE DISTRICT
ACCESS SITES



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NORTH

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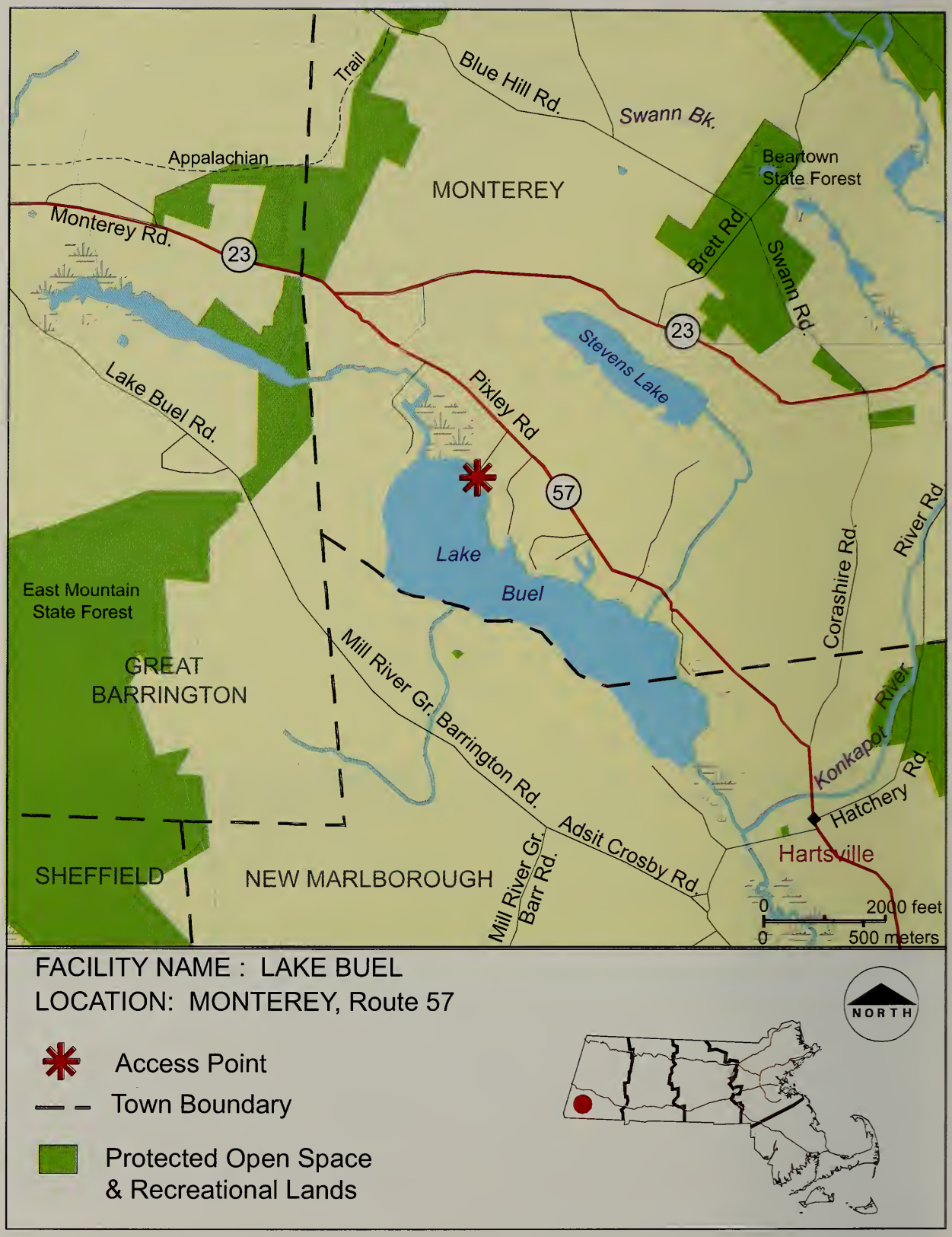
Western Wildlife District Access Sites

(Sorted Numerically by PAB #)

PAB #	FACILITY NAME	LOCATION	PAGE
14	Lake Buel	Monterey	124
15	Benedict Pond	Monterey	132
16	Thousand Acre Pond	New Marlborough	133
17	Laurel Lake	Lee	125
18	Stockbridge Bowl	Stockbridge	131
19	Richmond Pond	Richmond	129
20	Onota Lake	Pittsfield	126
	Onota Lake Sportfishing Pier	Pittsfield	133
21	Pontoosuc Lake	Pittsfield	128
22	Spectacle Pond (Upper)	Sandisfield	133
23	Otis Reservoir	Tolland	127
24	Shaw Pond	Otis	130
25	Windsor Pond	Windsor	133
26	Highland Lake (Lower)	Goshen	132
125	Big Pond	Otis	132
132	Goose Pond	Tyringham	132
133	Lake Garfield	Monterey	132
144	Highland Lake (Upper)	Goshen	132
147	Center Pond	Becket	132
148	Housatonic River	Lenox	133
149	Housatonic River	Pittsfield	133
159	Housatonic River	Great Barrington	133
171	Windsor Lake	North Adams	132
172	Hoosic River	North Adams	132
186	Hoosic River	Williamstown	132

Boaters using the launching ramp at the PAB Goose Pond facility in Tyringham (page 132).



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **23 Trailers**

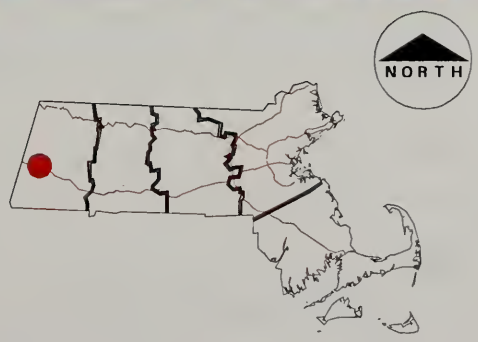
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: LAUREL LAKE
LOCATION: LEE, Route 20

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **20 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: ONOTA LAKE
LOCATION: PITTSFIELD, Burbank Park

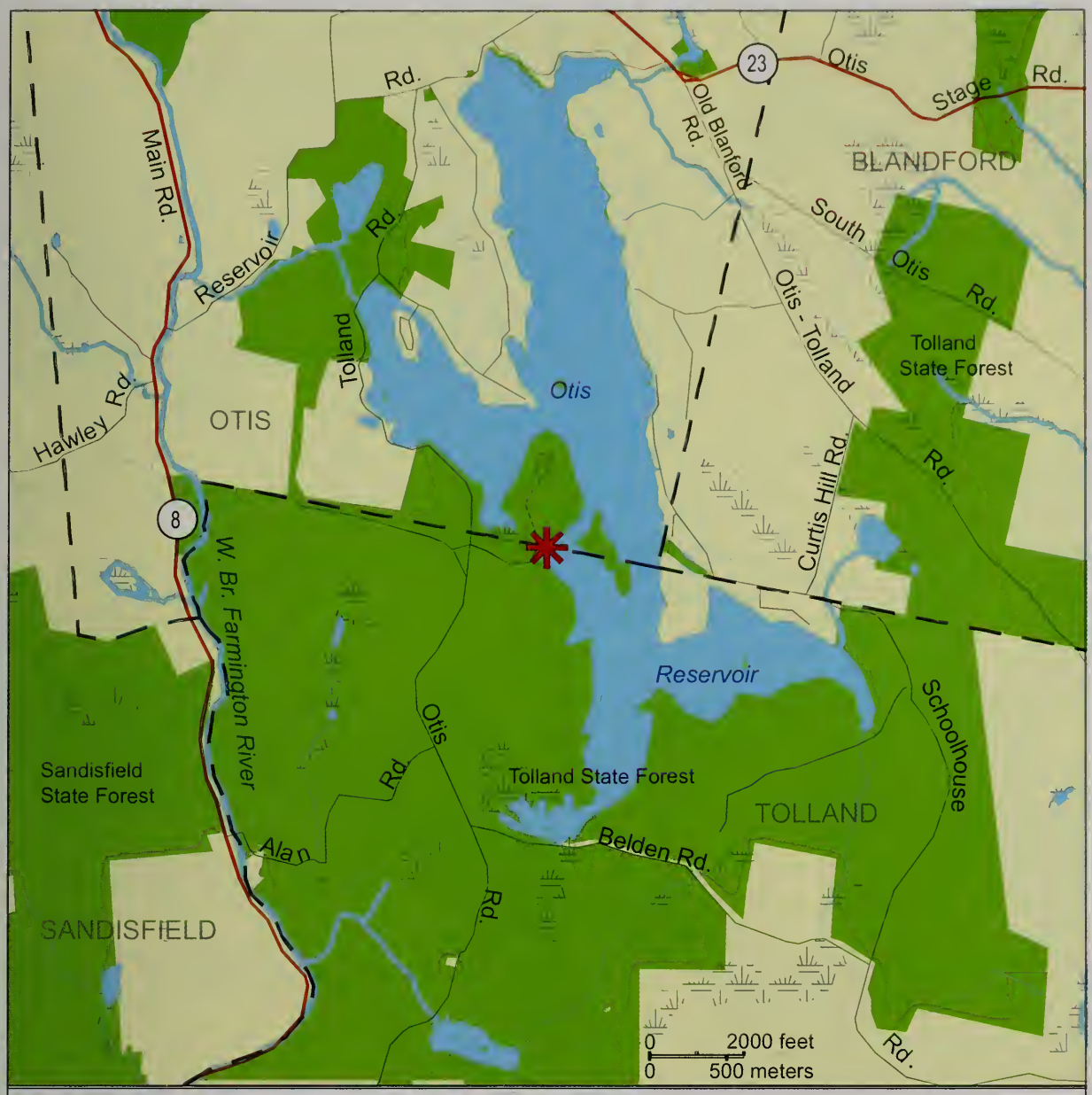
Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **City of Pittsfield**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **20 Trailers, 13 Singles**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth, bass, Northern Pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

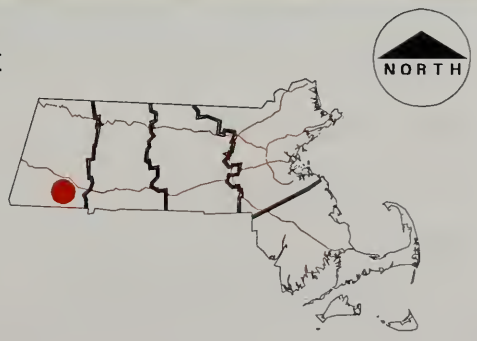


FACILITY NAME: OTIS RESERVOIR
LOCATION: TOLLAND, Tolland State Forest

Access Point

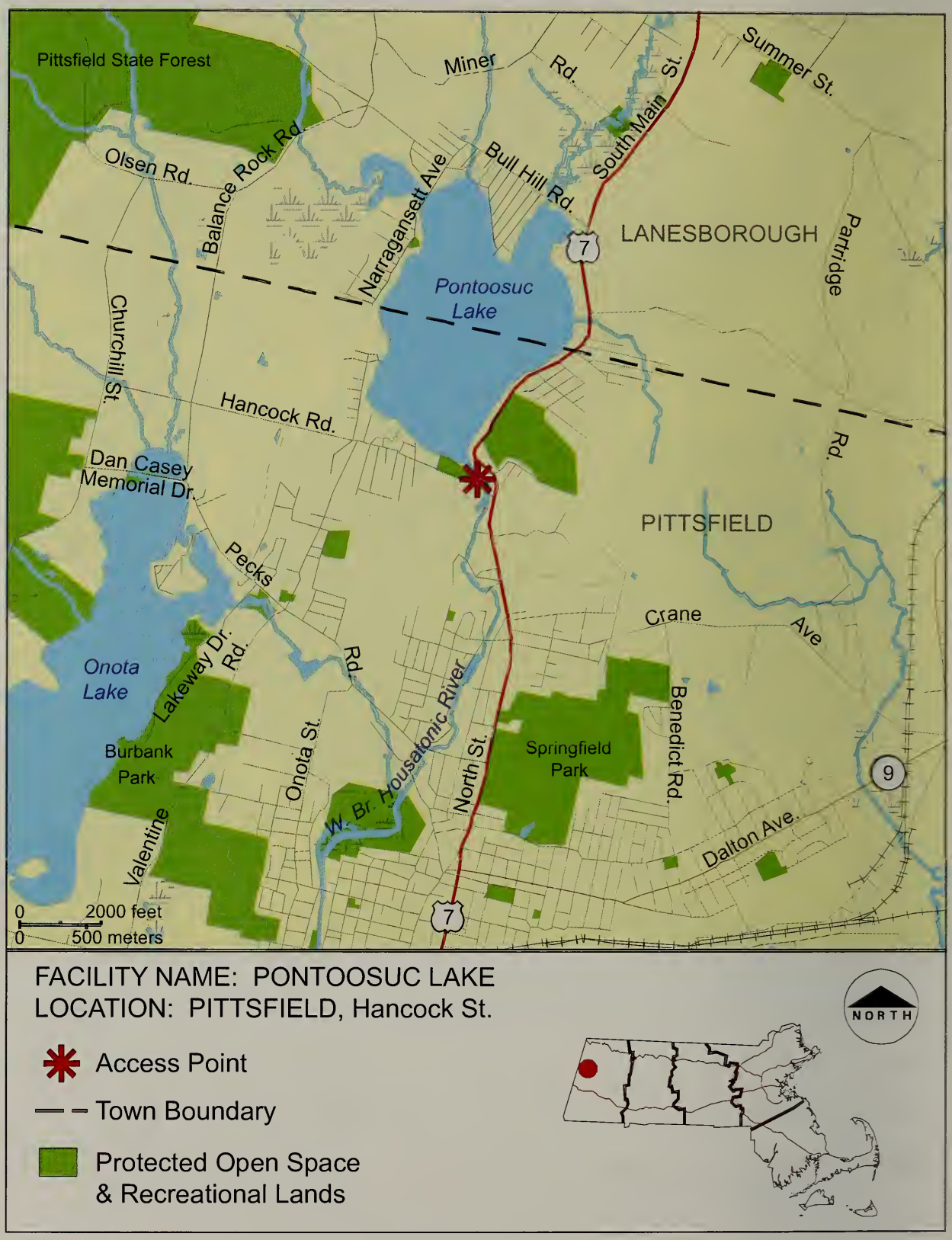
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **26 Trailers,**

Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth, bass, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**



Managing Authority: **City of Pittsfield**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **30 Trailers**

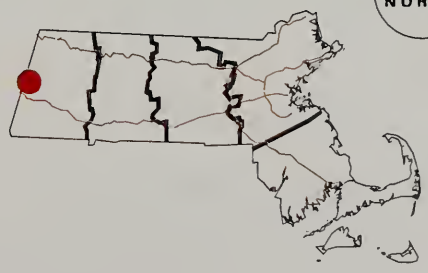
Facility Type: **General Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel Northern pike, Tiger muskee, White perch, Black crappie**

FACILITY NAME: RICHMOND POND
LOCATION: RICHMOND, Beach Rd.

Access Point

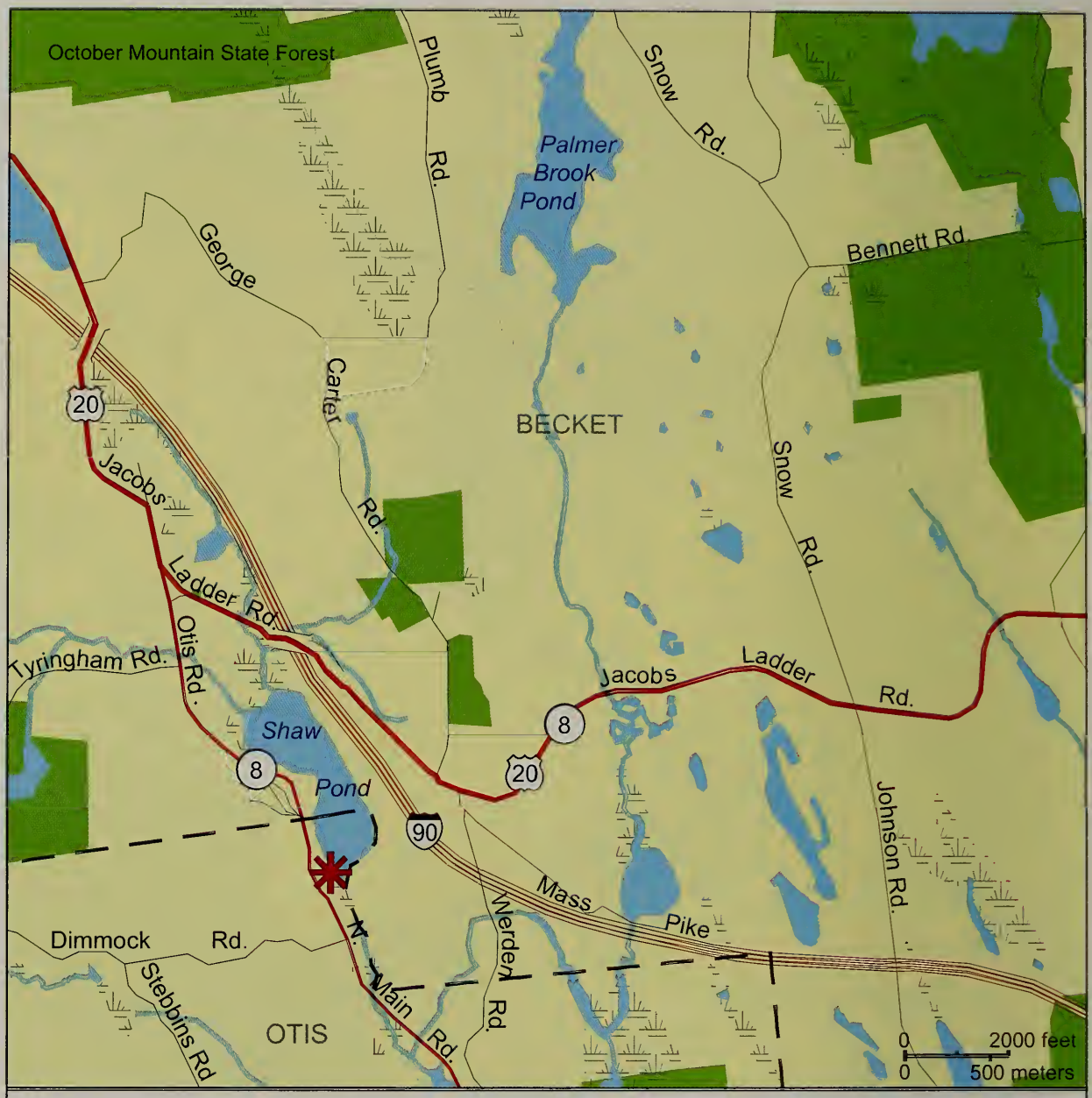
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **Town of Richmond**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **25 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

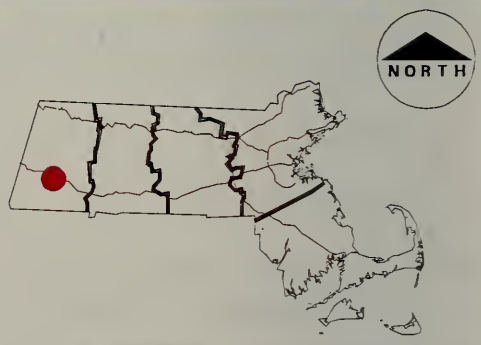


FACILITY NAME: SHAW POND
LOCATION: OTIS, Route 8

Access Point

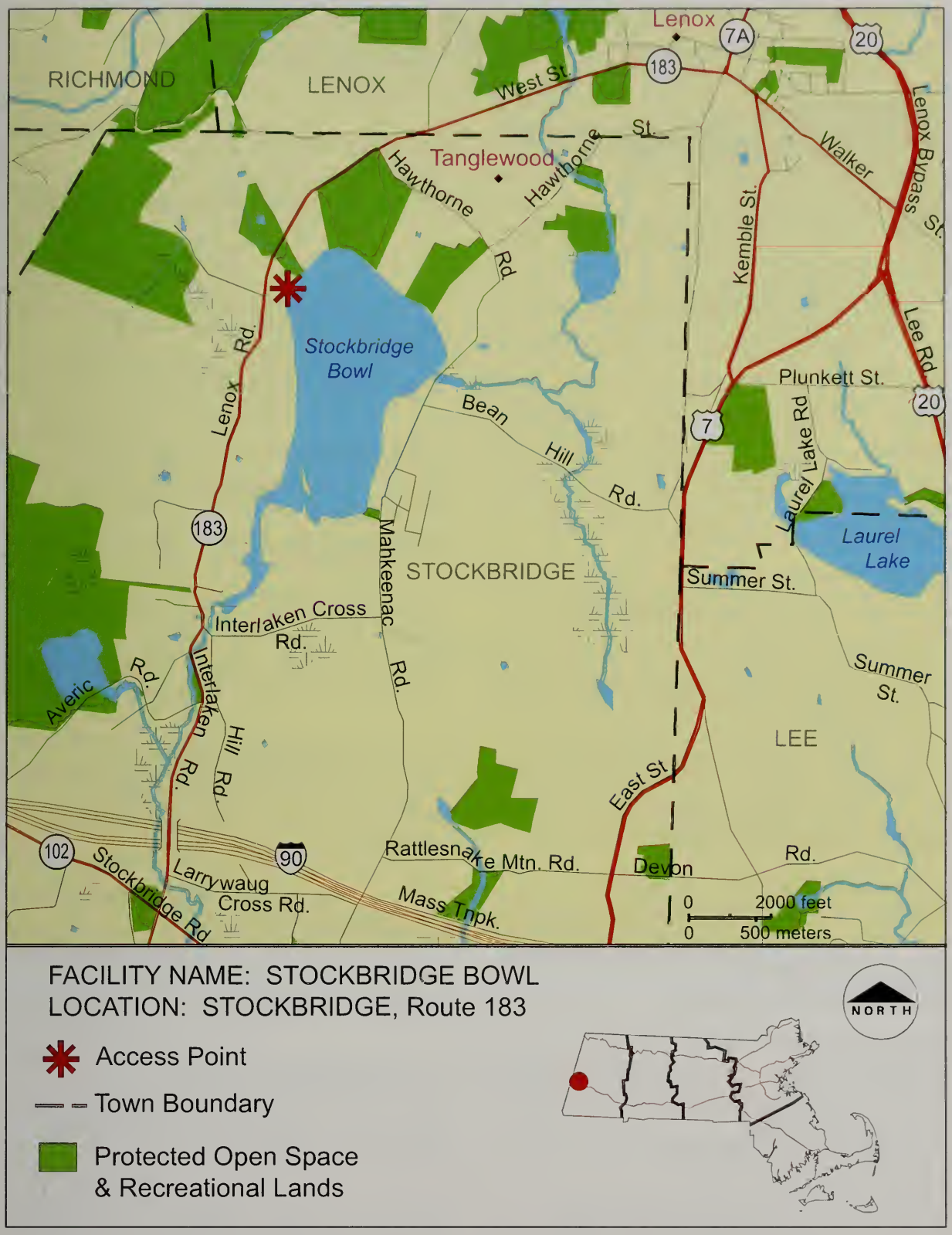
Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands



Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete**
Parking Spaces: **10 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**



FACILITY NAME: STOCKBRIDGE BOWL
LOCATION: STOCKBRIDGE, Route 183

Access Point

Town Boundary

Protected Open Space & Recreational Lands

Managing Authority: **Town of Stockbridge**
Launching Lanes: **2**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **25 Trailers**

Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel, Black crappie**

Western Wildlife District
Additional PAB Access Sites

(Alphabetically by Facility Name)

BENEDICT POND (15)
Location: **Monterey, Beartown Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

BIG POND (125)
Location: **Otis, Route 23**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Gravel**
Parking Spaces: **5 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

CENTER POND (147)
Location: **Becket, Route 8**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: Cartop
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Becket**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: Largemouth bass, **Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

LAKE GARFIELD (133)
Location: **Monterey, Tyringham Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **12 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Monterey**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, White perch, Pickerel**

GOOSE POND (132)
Location: **Tyringham, Goose Pond Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Pickerel**

HIGHLAND LAKE (Lower) (26)
Location: **Goshen, Daughters Amer. Rev. SP**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

HIGHLAND LAKE (Upper) (144)
Location: **Goshen, Daughters Amer. Rev. SP**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass**

HOOSIC RIVER (172)
Location: **North Adams, Ashton Ave.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **8 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

HOOSIC RIVER (186)
Location: **Williamstown, Simonds Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **Town of Williamstown**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

HOUSATONIC RIVER (159)
Location: **Great Barrington, Brookside Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **5 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, Pickerel, Black crappie**

HOUSATONIC RIVER (148)
Location: **Lenox, New Lenox Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, Pickerel, Black crappie**

HOUSATONIC RIVER (149)
Location: **Pittsfield, Pomeroy Ave.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Canoe**
Parking Spaces: **10 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **City of Pittsfield**
Facility Type: **Canoe Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, Tiger muskee, Pickerel, Black crappie**

ONOTA LAKE SPORTFISHING PIER
Location: Pittsfield, Burbank Park
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **N.A.**
Parking Spaces: **N.A.**
Managing Authority: City of Pittsfield
Facility Type: **Sportfishing Pier**
Fishing Info: Trout, **Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Pickerel, Black crappie**

SPECTACLE POND (Upper) (22)
Location: **Sandisfield, Webb Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **N.A.**
Ramp Type: **Cartop**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Cartop Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

THOUSAND ACRE POND (16)
Location: **New Marlborough, Hotchkiss Rd.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **8 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.F.W.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

WINDSOR LAKE (171)
Location: **North Adams, Bradley St.**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **6 Cartop**
Managing Authority: **City of North Adams**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass**

WINDSOR POND (25)
Location: **Windsor, Routes 8A & 116**
Launching Lanes: **1**
Ramp Type: **Concrete Pad**
Parking Spaces: **13 Trailers**
Managing Authority: **D.E.M.**
Facility Type: **Fisherman Access**
Fishing Info: **Trout, Largemouth bass, Pickerel**

Additional Resources

The following is a partial listing of resources that may be helpful to fishermen, boaters, and recreational users of public access areas in Massachusetts. More recent printings of books and documents may have been completed so it is beneficial to check with the watershed group, state agency, or publisher to see if there has been a more recent update.

Books

Quiet Water Canoe Guide: Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island, by Alex Wilson. Boston, MA: Appalachian Mountain Club Books, 1993.

AMC River Guide: Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island: Third Edition, edited by John Fiske. Boston, MA: Appalachian Mountain Club Books, 2000.

An Angler's Guide to Trout Fishing in Massachusetts, edited by Brain E. Tucholke. Boston, MA: Massachusetts-Rhode Island Council of Trout Unlimited, 1988.

AMC Guide to Freshwater Fishing in New England, by Brian R. Kologe. Boston, MA: Appalachian Mountain Club Books, 1991.

The Deerfield River Guidebook: Whitewater, Fishing, Recreation, by Bruce Lessels and Norman Sims, with a fishing guide by Jim Dowd. North Amherst, MA: New England Cartographics, 1993.

The Complete Boating Guide to the Connecticut River (Covering New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, and Connecticut), edited by Mark C. Borton, Brian E. Becker, Tim Scannelli, and Gene Mitchell. Essex, CT: Embassy Marine Publishing, 1990.

A Taunton River Journey: A Guide to Exploring the River, with History, Wildlife, Anecdotes, and Suggested Outings, by Michael J. Tougias. Bridgewater, MA: Taunton River Watershed Alliance, 1996.

The Concord, Sudbury and Assabet Rivers: A Guide to Canoeing, Wildlife, and History, written by Ron McAdow, illustrated by Gordon Morrison. Marlborough, MA: Bliss Publishing Company, Inc., 1990.

The Charles River: Exploring Nature and History on Foot and by Canoe, by Ron McAdow, illustrated by Gordon Morrison. Marlborough, MA: Bliss Publishing Company, Inc., 1992.

Sea Kayaking Along the New England Coast, by Tamsin Venn. Boston, MA: Published by Appalachian Mountain Club Books, 1991.

State Agency Guides

The following is a partial list of pertinent booklets and pamphlets published by various state agencies.

Massachusetts Boater's Guide: A Handbook of Boating Laws, Safety Information, and Operation Guidelines for the Prudent Mariner. Published by the Massachusetts Environmental Police, Boating Safety Office, 1019 Iyanough Road, Route 132, Second Floor, Hyannis, MA 02601.

Massachusetts Saltwater Sport Fishing Guide. Published by the Division of Marine Fisheries, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114.

The Massachusetts Coast Guide: Access to Public Open Spaces Along the Shoreline, Greater Boston Harbor and the North Shore. Published by the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Office in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Management. Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

Public Rights/Private Property: Answers to Frequently Asked Questions on Beach Access. Published by the Office of the Attorney General, Environmental Protection Division, 200 Portland Street, Boston, MA 02114.

Outdoor Recreation Map. Published by the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife (**MassWildlife**), Field Headquarters, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581.

A Guide to Recreation. Published by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management, Division of Forests & Parks, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114.

A Guide to Invasive Non-native Aquatic Plants in Massachusetts, assembled by C. Barre Hellquist, Department of Biology North Adams State College, and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management, Lakes and Ponds Program. 251 Causeway Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114.

Massachusetts Wildlife Exotica. Published by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, (MassWildlife) Field Headquarters, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581.

WEB Sites

Public Access Board: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/Pab>

Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife, & Environmental Law Enforcement: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele>

SPORT Licensing (boat registration, fishing licenses): <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/sport>

Division of Fisheries & Wildlife: <http://www.masswildlife.org>

Division of Marine Fisheries: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dmf>

Massachusetts Environmental Police: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dle>

Riverways Programs: <http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/River/riv>

Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management (list of boat pumpout facilities): <http://www.state.ma.us/czm/potoc.htm>

Department of Environmental Management: <http://www.state.ma.us/dem/dem.htm>

Metropolitan District Commission: <http://www.state.ma.us/mdc/mdchome.htm>

Executive Office of Environmental Affairs: <http://www.state.ma.us/envir>

Project Access (accessible fishing nationwide): <http://www.projectaccess.com/paw.htm>

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Recreational Sites in Massachusetts: <http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/recreati/massachu.htm>

PAB/Town of Weymouth boat ramp at Back River (page 65). This facility provides access to southern Boston Harbor and Quincy Bay. Photo by Ed "Haddie" Nowak.

Appendix 1
PAB Sites listed alphabetically by city or town

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	Hamblins Pond	58
	Lovells Pond	59
	Shubael Pond	60
	Wequacket Pond	61
Becket	Center Pond	132
Belchertown	Quabbin Reservoir	117
	Swift River	118
Bourne	Great Herring Pond	58
Brewster	Cliff Pond	58
	Little Cliff Pond	59
	Schoolhouse Pond	59
	Schoolhouse Pond Fishing Pier	59
	Sheep Pond	51
	Slough Pond	60
Bridgewater	Lake Nippenicket	42
Brighton	Charles River	67
Brookfield	Quaboag Pond	101
	South Pond	107
Canton	Ponkapoag Pond	89
Chelmsford	Merrimack River	79
Chicopee	Connecticut River (Melina St.)	112
	Connecticut River (Syrek St.)	119
Chilmark	Great Rock Bight Shorefishing Area	58
Concord	White Pond	90
Danvers	Porter River (Popes Landing)	82
Dartmouth	Apponagansett Bay	22
Dennis	Sesuit Harbor	50
Douglas	Wallum Lake	105
Dover	Charles River (Elm Bank)	87
Dracut	Mascuppic Lake	89
Eastham	Rock Harbor	46
Easthampton	Connecticut River (Oxbow)	113
Edgartown	Katama Bay	33
Erving	Laurel Lake	120
Fairhaven	Acushent River Basin	21
	Nasketucket Bay (Sconticut Neck)	40
Fall River	Cook Pond	28
	South Wattupa Pond	53
	Taunton River Basin	54
Falmouth	Ashumet Pond	23
	Green Pond	31
	Seapit River (Seapit Landing)	60
Framingham	Farm Pond	87
	Sudbury River	90
Freetown	Long Pond	35
Georgetown	Rock Pond	83
Gill	Connecticut River (Bartons Cove)	114
Gloucester	Annisquam River (Corliss Landing)	87
	Jones River (Long Wharf)	88
	Lanes Cove	88
Goshen	Highland Lake (Lower)	132
	Highland Lake (Upper)	132

Great Barrington	Housatonic River	133
Groton	Baddacook Pond	87
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Halifax	Monponsett Pond	39
Hamiilton	Chebacco Lake	69
Hanover	Indian Head River	59
Hardwick	Hardwick Pond	97
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	Ware River (Hardwick Rd.)	107
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Harwich	Saquatucket Harbor	48
Hatfield	Connecticut River	119
Haverhill	Lake Pentucket	89
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	Merrimack River	89
Holland	Hamilton Reservoir	119
	Hamilton Reservoir Sportfishing Pier	119
Holliston	Lake Winthrop	90
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Hopkinton	Hopkinton Reservoir	88
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	Whitehall Reservoir	85
Hubbardston	Asnacomet Pond	94
	Moosehorn Pond	106
Hudson	Assabet River	87
Ipswich	Hood Pond	88
	Ipswich River	76
Lancaster	Fort Pond	96
Lawrence	Merrimack River (Riley Park)	81
Lee	Laurel Lake	125
Lenox	Housatonic River	133
Leominster	Whalom Lake	107
Littleton	Long Pond	88
Marblehead	Marblehead Harbor (Riverhead Beach)	78
Marlborough	Fort Meadow Reservoir	88
Marshfield	Green Harbor	30
Mashpee	Johns Pond	32
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Mattapoisett	Mattapoitsett Harbor (Short Wharf)	52
Medford	Mystic Lake (Upper)	89
Merrimac	Lake Attitash	64
Middleborough	Tispaquin Pond	60
Millbury	Singletary Pond	104
Monterey	Benedict Pond	132
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Nahant	Lynn Harbor	77
Nantucket	Hither Creek	58
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Needham	Charles River	87
New Bedford	Clarks Cove	26
	New Bedford Harbor	41
New Marlborough	Thousand Acre Pond	133
New Salem	Quabbin Reservoir	117
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Newburyport	Merrimack River (Cashman Park)	80
North Adams	Hoosic River	132
	Windsor Lake	133
North Attleboro	Falls Pond	29
	Whiting Pond	61
North Reading	Ipswich River	88

Northborough	Bartlett Pond	106
	Little Chauncy Pond	106
Northbridge	Blackstone River	106
Northfield	Connecticut River	115
Norton	Snake River (Winnecunnet Pond)	60
Oak Bluffs	Sengekontacket Pond	60
	Sengekontacket Pond (Pecoy Pt.)	60
Orange	Lake Rohunta	120
	Millers River	120
Orleans	Baker Pond	58
Otis	Big Pond	132
	Shaw Pond	130
Pittsfield	Housatonic River	133
	Onota Lake	126
	Pontoosuc Lake	128
Plymouth	Long Pond	36
	Little Long Pond	59
	Plymouth Harbor	45
	Sandy Pond	59
Richmond	Richmond Pond	129
Rochester	Snipatuit Pond	60
Rutland	Long Pond	98
	Ware River – East Branch	107
Salem	Danvers River	71
	Salem Harbor (Winter Island)	84
Salisbury	Black Rock Creek	66
Sandisfield	Spectacle Pond (Upper)	133
Sandwich	Peters Pond	44
Scituate	Scituate Harbor	49
Shrewsbury	Lake Quinsigamond	103
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Southwick	Congamond Lakes (North Ramp)	111
	Congamond Lakes (South Ramp)	110
Spencer	Sugden Reservoir	107
Springfield	Five Mile Pond	116
Stockbridge	Stockbridge Bowl	131
Stow	Delaney Pond	72
Sturbridge	Alum Pond	106
Sunderland	Cranberry Pond	119
Sutton	Manchaug Pond	99
Swansea	Cole River	27
Taunton	Big Bear Hole Pond	58
	Lake Sabbatia	47
Tisbury	Lagoon Pond	34
	Tisbury Great Pond	60
Tolland	Otis Reservoir	127
Truro	Pamet River	43
Tyngsborough	Flint Pond	73
Tyringham	Goose Pond	132
Waltham	Charles River	68
Wareham	Wareham River (Tempest Knob)	55
	Wareham River Fishing Pier	61
	Weweantic River	57
Wayland	Lake Cochituate	70
	Lake Cochitutate	87
Webster	Webster Lake	107
West Bridgewater	Hockomock River	58
	West Meadows Pond	61
West Brookfield	Wickaboag Pond	107
Westborough	Lake Chauncy	106
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Weymouth	Back River	65
Wilbraham	Chicopee River	119
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Williamstown	Hoosic River	132
Winchendon	Lake Dennison	106
Windsor	Windsor Pond	133
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PAB cartop access point at the William Forward Wildlife Management Area (page 89), located just off Route 1 in Newbury, providing paddler access to the tidal portion of the Parker River.

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Asnacomet Pond	94
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Lake Attitash	64
Back River	65
Baddacook Pond	87
Baker Pond	58
Barnstable Harbor, Blish Point	25
Bartlett Pond	106
Bass River	24
Bass River Sportfishing Pier	58
Benedict Pond	132
Big Bear Hole Pond	58
Big Pond	132
Black Rock Creek	66
Blackstone River	106
Lake Buel	124
Center Pond	132
Charles River (Brighton)	67
Charles River, Elm Bank (Dover)	87
Charles River (Needham)	87
Charles River (Waltham)	68
Lake Chauncy	106
Chebacco Lake	69
Chicopee River	119
Chicopee River, Red Bridge Landing	119
Clarks Cove	26
Cliff Pond	58
Lake Cochituate	70
Lake Cochitutate	87
Cole River	27
Congamond Lakes, North Ramp	111
Congamond Lakes, South Ramp	110
Connecticut River, Bartons Cove (Gill)	114
Connecticut River, Melina St. (Chicopee)	112
Connecticut River, Syrek St. (Chicopee)	119
Connecticut River, Oxbow (Easthampton)	113
Connecticut River (Hatfield)	119
Connecticut River (Northfield)	115
Cook Pond	28
Cranberry Pond	119
Danvers River	71
Delaney Pond	72
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View of the Connecticut River and the downtown Springfield skyline as seen from a municipal boat launching facility off Route 5 in W. Springfield (one of the sites listed on the state Outdoor Recreation Map, see page 135).

Paddlers relaxing after taking out of the Housatonic River at the PAB/DFW Decker cartop access point, off of New Lenox Road in Lenox (page 133). DEM's October Mountain State Forest is in the background.

View of the PAB/Town of Sunderland access point at the northern end of Cranberry Pond (page 119).

Launching of sportfishing boat at the PAB/Town of Weymouth ramp on the Back River (page 65). Photo by Jack Sheppard.

Boat launching at the PAB's Westport River boat ramp in Westport, providing access to the river and to Buzzards Bay (page 56).

Spring scenery along the Quaboag River in West Brookfield, accessible via the PAB/ Town of Brookfield boat ramp at Quaboag Pond (see page 101 and back cover).

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